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Thoroughbreds

By Salvator

**Only A Few Have Displayed
Such Superlative Form
As Count Fleet**

Count Fleet continues on his conquering way—and what a way it is!

Turf writers make a habit of referring to some horse that comes from behind in dramatic fashion, in the home stretch, after having failed to get to the front in the early stages, as winning "in the hard way."

When, as a matter of fact, that is not really the hard way, tho' it may look so superficially.

Racing experience has demonstrated that the hardest way of all in which to win, and to keep on winning, race after race, is to go out in front at the fall of the flag, lead all the way from wire to wire, stall off every challenge and defy all efforts from the opposition, to at any time get to, trouble or defeat a horse.

The number of great Thoroughbreds which have been able to display this exceptional and superlative capacity has been so small that they can almost be counted on the fingers of one hand.

In England, the original home of racing and the country with far the longest and most famous turf history, since the day of Eclipse, 200 years ago, there has been but one horse of that kind.

That was the renowned St. Simon. As a 2 and 3-year-old the son of
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Bill Payne's Homesick Thoroughbred Returns Alone To Old Abode

BY PAT WHITE

An interesting and true incident happened the other day that I have never heard matched before concerning nostalgia of a horse. Mr. Smoke, a Thoroughbred gelding by Little Smoke, owned by Bill Payne was taken from the large stable in which he was boarded to the owner's home where a makeshift barn and corral were stationed for him. Bill rode the horse across the country and hills fourteen miles to his new abode, opening seven gates and crossing several busy cement highways including one congested four lane thoroughfare. This was also the only time he had traversed in this direction. After a week of trying his new quarters, he must have decided against them as one night out he

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Blue Ridge Hunt Carries On With Local Exhibitors

The added warning on the use of gasoline caused the Blue Ridge Hunt people to cut the show down to absolutely animals that could come under their own power. And they came, and there were good ones.

Perhaps the most interesting part of the show was the fact that there were several horses brought down, because the owners wanted to help and had, at the back of their heads the thought that it would be fun to see how they made out anyway. My reaction was that they may have been rather disappointed when they found themselves up against some of the "big show" horses.

Had all these rough horses been put in a class or two specially for them it would have been lots of fun and given the owners a reward they certainly deserved. Dr. L. M. Allen and Mr. W. Lodge Bowles did the judging, and did it well. These two gentlemen know their horses.

It was good to see men like Captain Ewart Johnston, one time Master of the Blue Ridge, pilot a good sort of bay round the various courses, a horse up for the day. Then Ned Jacobs doing the same good job with another mighty comfortable ride. Sidney Glass had a young chap down with him, who gave a
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Mary Eberle Winner Of St. Louis Championship

The twelve day downpour let up on May 16th and the sun shone for the Huntleigh Junior Horse Show at the Bridlespur Kennels, near St. Louis. Just as the ribbons in the last event were tied and Mrs. Henry J. Kaltenbach, Jr., M. F. H., presented Mary Eberle, 12-year-old daughter of the Chas. E. Eberles, the Championship War Bond, the storm was on again, held off just long enough for the youngsters to have a good time. Pilot Mary Eberle was due added credit as her own horse was laid up and she used Grasslands, a strange mount. This veteran owned by Edward Rowan, has hunted, 'chased and been in the show ring and showed his versatility by letting a strange little girl win a championship in bareback jumping, hunting and equitation classes.

The entire show, except the 3 open and 2 western classes was judged on horsemanship and performance. War stamps were used as trophies with the War Bond mentioned as Champ-
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Sports Headlines Is Leading Jumper In Rochester Show

BY EDWARD DICKINSON

The Rochester Horse Show at Edgerton Park, Sunday afternoon, May 16, put on a seven-hour program. In the hundred dollar jumping stake Sports Headlines was the winner, with Frank Snyder's Judge ridden by Corky Snyder a good second, third to Jack Levine's Major Haste by Hurry Off ridden by Frank Snyder.

Frank Snyder of Avon sent in his Ashantee Bell, ridden by Peter Strong; William Haggerty with his Black Irish; The Douglaston Manor Farm's with Royal Reveille; Paul Fout of Syracuse, Dr. V. J. Levy of Rochester; and John D. Murphy Jr. and Robert Edward Murphy, furnished fighting competition and their entries accounted for a wide assortment of ribbons of all colors—blues of first place for Royal Reveille, and Black Irish, and Kin-negad the last mentioned taking Dr. V. J. Levy—his owner—for the first place in the amateur jumping; and Royal Reveille winning the green hunters class over such tough competition as was offered by Mrs. Kenneth P. Collier's Grand Toy by Grand Time, and Frederick K. von Lambeck's Masquerader. The work-
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Jerusalem Hunt Holds Informal Spring Show

BY HELEN CADWALADER

What started out to be an informal spring horse show by members of the "Jerusalem Hunt Club" (unrecognized) up in Harford county, Maryland, turned out surprisingly—and very pleasantly—to be a healthy eight classes, with numerous outside entries and an interested audience of at least five hundred people.

Held on May 16, at 1 p. m., the show was staged in the handsome bluegrass pasture field of Mr. and Mrs. William D. Amoss, near Bel Air, and was judged by Colonel Woodruff and Major Brogden, of the Third Service Command in Baltimore.

Mr. Amoss, who is M. F. H. of the club, and Mr. Edgar Spicer, huntsman, built the ring out of snow fencing, doing the work themselves. In addition there was a sporting outside course of about a half-mile, with six fences besides the first two in the ring, two stream crossings and a
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Steeplechasing

By Spectator

**Rouge Dragon Seen As Real
Challenger Among Top
Ranking 'Chasers**

Winning for the third time in as many starts this year, Rouge Dragon captured the 22nd running of the Charles L. Appleton Steeplechase on Tuesday in very convincing fashion. This Montpelier bred son of Annapolis, which now races in the name and colors of M. A. Cushman, moves forward sharply as a challenger among the top-rank steeplechasers. His previous wins were in overnight races, but in this event he took the measure of such good ones as Knight's Quest, Redlands and Elkridge. Carrying 144 pounds, Rouge Dragon was never far off the pace set by imp. The Beak, and when this luckless color bearer of Mrs. F. Ambrose Clark spilled his rider in spectacular fashion at the 8th jump, John Harrison aboard Rouge Dragon moved up to challenge Knight's Quest which had run with imp. The Beak up to this point. Going into the jump at the far turn things really got exciting when these 2 were joined by Elkridge and imp. Frederic 2nd, the 4 of them going over as a team. All landed safely and then Rouge Dragon forged to the front slightly, fortunately perhaps, for at the last jump, he swerved a little, as did most of the horses behind him.

In the run to the finish line, Harrison had enough horse under him,
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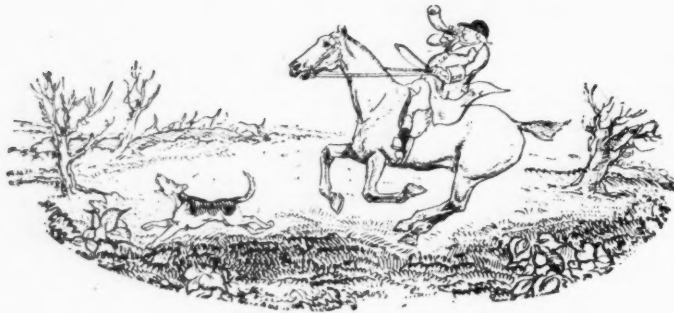
Royal Scot Captures Several Events, Also Wins Bayview Trophy

By BROADVIEW

Here is an account of the horse show held on May 8, originally scheduled to be held at Eglinton Park as part of the North Toronto Victory Loan campaign. Because of rain, the rest was cancelled and this show was held in the covered arena at Major Clifford Sifton's Bayview.

A crowd of several hundred were in attendance with about 40 horses and riders contending. The 12-year-old Doug Hood stole the show by winning the seat and hands class over a field of some 20 odd riders of all ages, and also placed 2nd in both the knock-down-and-out Stake and the jumping stake, on Jimmy Fuller's little chestnut horse Junior. Doug cleared all the jumps in the open jumping stake, but in the jump
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Hunting Notes:-



Courtenay Tracy Otter Hounds

By Capt. Philip K. Crowe

If the immortal Jorrocks had known about otter hunting, he would not have feared that desolate period of Spring and Summer, when fox hunting, perforce, must stop. Instead of sulking in the flesh pots of Great Coram Street he would have been splashing his way along the streams of Surrey in pursuit of that ancient and honorable "beast of venerie", the otter.

On previous trips abroad before the war I had always hoped to have a day with one of the many packs that then hunted the rivers of England, but it was not till this Spring that the chance came. An inspection tour in the South happened to coincide with a meet of the Courtenay Tracy and a letter from Miss Jane Boutcher, the Master, assured me of a welcome. My appetite for otter hunting was further whetted by staying the night before at the Red Lion Hotel at Salisbury, an otter hunters' center since the Fifteenth Century. The manager, after providing me with a dinner of some excellent venison, capped with a good glass of port, offered me one of his own poles for the morrow's sport.

Since otter hunting varies a great deal from either fox hunting or beagling it might be well to go first into a few of its peculiarities. The pole, mentioned above, is a very important part of an otter hunter's equipment. About six feet long and shod with steel at both ends, it affords him a means of both sounding his way along the rivers and of prodding the various holts which might hold quarry. It is also used as a tally of the otters killed, the owner notching it after the manner of two-gun Pete after each kill. The brush of the otter is known as the "rudder".

The country hunted by otter hounds is very extensive. Bound as they are to the rivers, it is necessary to range great distances. The Courtenay Tracy, for instance, hunts the entire counties of Surrey, Hampshire, Dorset and Wiltshire. The duties of the field are also more involved than in other forms of hunting. After an otter is tally-hoed away the field is split, half going up stream and half down to head the otter in case he tries to break away. This is not easy as there is nothing an otter likes more than diving between one's legs, and, as he is underwater, his chances of getting away with it are excellent.

We met at the Nunton Bridge over the Ebbles River, four miles from Salisbury. The Huntsman, Mr. Byron Day, who also holds the position of Master of the New Forest Beagles, arrived with hounds at ten-thirty. He was dressed in approved otter-hunt-

ing livery of double peaked green deer stalker hat, on which was pinned an otter pad mounted in silver, green coat, green waistcoat, white serge breeches, scarlet tie, green stockings and gilt buttons. The hounds consisted of eight couple of English and Welsh fox hounds and a very workmanlike pack they were. I recognized some of the Puckeridge blood among them and a strong strain of Currie breeding.

The field, besides the master, Miss Boutcher, consisted of her mother and sister and about half a dozen others of us. It was not a good day for any kind of hunting, the wind being strong and gusty with rain clouds banking over the West, but we were all feeling well set up from the news of the fall of Tunis and were bound to enjoy ourselves. Morgie Wing, joint Master of the Buckram Beagles of Long Island, and now a Captain with the ground troops in Africa, had several good days with this pack last year, and we were hunting the same stream where he saw a fine otter killed on his initial day out.

Drawing up stream, hounds soon opened on a drag. The wind had grown to a howling gale by this time, however, and the hounds could not now the line. After trying both sides of the river for some time, the huntsman gave it up and we swung back over land for a down stream cast. Marks of otter's pads, called "the spur" were discovered on a sand bar and the pack was cheered to them, but rain had been falling for some time and whatever scent must have originally been there was quite washed away. Further casts also proved fruitless, and, as it was noon by then and we were close by a little village pub, the master decided to call it quits for lunch.

While we munched sandwiches and drank the good ale of the pub, the huntsman told me something of the history of otter hunting and otters. The sport is a very ancient one and was fancied among others by King John, whose Master of the Game kept the Royal Otter Hounds. The old books list otter as true beasts of venerie along with the hare and the deer, while they class the fox as vermin. The Courtenay Tracy hunt was started by a gentleman of that name in 1887, and it is one of the oldest recognized packs still hunting. The war, with its necessary limitation of travel, has proved too much for most of the other packs and it seems that only this one and the Hawkstone up North are left to carry on the sport for the duration.

About the otter themselves, very little seems to be known. Traveling

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Pennsylvania Hunting Days

(Editor's note:—This letter was sent us by Mrs. Sidney H. Hirst—she says the pack is not recognized, to which "Sid" chiefly refers, but it surely is no grave crime to have such fun with any pack, anywhere—when you can run your fox into a pig sty—of course this 17-year-old had, has and always will have fun—he must be built that way. Our advice to him is to get in the army as fast as he can, for there, too, is a spot and a lot of fun for a chap of his calibre. He will then have something to look back on and no regrets. Thank you Mrs. Hirst and also the young scribe who we would be proud to know.)

Geormandy Farm.
Pottstown, R. D. No. 1
Pennsylvania.

Dear Libby:

Please excuse me for not writing sooner but I just finished a very successful hunting season and a very welcomed two weeks' vacation, and you know how busy that can make one.

I hope that you and Sid, Sydney, and Stocky, Chief and the colt are all well. Sid said when I last saw him, that he was going to work Happy Hollow and have him ready to race at Pimlico this Spring. I'll get down to see him some way if I have to drive the tractor down.

As to myself, I am still uncertain as to what I am going to do. I'm still gaining weight (although I did lose a little through all the hunting I did in the last three weeks), and I am hoping I will be able to pass the Coast Guard physical examination soon. However, most of my friends and relatives think I should finish prep school, then get in some reserve and go on through college. I don't know what I could do after the war if I don't go to school for I certainly won't want to go back to college after I return from the Army or Navy.

Enough about myself, I must tell you about some of the good hunting we have had lately. Alvin, our huntsman, just got a position as a representative of the farmers to obtain rationed machinery, gas, fuel oil, etc. for them, so he couldn't do much hunting for the past two months and I took over and acted as huntsman. Mike has been whipping for me on Saturday and also through the week when he'd take a day off from school.

Early one Thursday morning four
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ARAPAHOE HUNT

Route 1, Box 62,
Littleton,
Colorado.
Established 1929.
Recognized 1934.

March 21st

Hounds were cast east around Headquarters, and not until we were coming back toward Kennels, was a coyote sighted sitting on his haunches on top the hill near the north road to Headquarters. Hounds were picked up immediately, but because of a large gulch between them and the coyote, had to detour and lost several minutes. Stormer, however, took a short cut, and arrived atop the hill just as the coyote was flying past. He gave an excited squeak and almost grabbed a couple of hairs from the brush, but was too surprised to catch his game. The coyote ran straight west and then east with the whole pack close behind in full cry. As usual, he crossed through the corn field, giving hounds some hard work which they performed beautifully and quickly. After a ten minute run going south, they checked at the Headquarters west highway, and it was Demon who found the coyote in a culvert. It was some time before he was gotten out, and in spite of a quarter mile start, was too befuddled to out run hounds, and we had our only kill of the season after a short fast run.

March 28th

A very warm day—so warm we reluctantly decided it must be our last hunt. We cast south and worked slowly east with little excitement except for a large porcupine which filled one inexperienced hound so full of quills he had to be returned to Kennels. Arriving at the long-hated buffalo fence, we saw, to our great surprise, it had been paneled. Mr. Cranmer was as good as his word, and hunting in future seasons will be immensely improved by the opening of this new country. Happily, we all headed for the fence, but the horses were as surprised as we, and there was a record breaking number of refusals over the first panel.

It was disappointing not to find a coyote inside the enclosure where he so often runs, but one was spotted on the Anticline, and we had a good ten minute run. Hounds were so exhausted by the heat, though, that we had to stop at the first check, and call it a day.—H. C. N.

Georgia 4-H boys and girls have pledged themselves to grow enough food this summer to fill a 10,000 ton Liberty ship—and sell enough war bonds to buy the ship.

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The Sporting Calendar

You can help us by sending in notices of any events you know of that do not appear in this Calendar.

Racing

MARCH
6-June 6. Hipodrome De Las Americas, Jockey Club, De La Ciudad De Mexico. 42 days or more.
HANDICAP DE LAS AMERICAS, 1 1-4 mi., 3 & up, May 30. 100,000 Pesos Added
STAKES JOCKEY CLUB MEXICANO 7 f., 3 & up, June 3. 4,250 Pesos Added
HANDICAP PRESIDENCIAL, 1 1-8 mi., 3 & up, June 6. 50,000 Pesos Added (Stakes nominations close May 1, 1943 except Mexican Bred or Owned Stakes).

MAY
10-July 3—Charles Town, W. Va. 48 days.
10-June 5—Belmont Park, Westchester Racing Assn., Long Island, N. Y.
THE PETER PAN 'CAP, 1 1/2 mi., 3-yr.-olds, Sat., May 29. \$7,500 Added
THE ROSEBEN 'CAP, 6 f., 3 & up, Sat., May 29. \$5,000 Added
THE SUBURBAN 'CAP, 1 1/4 mi., 3 & up, Mon., May 31. \$30,000 Added
THE TOP FLIGHT 'CAP, 1 1-16 mi., 3 & up, fillies & mares, Thurs., June 3. \$5,000 Added
THE NATIONAL STALLION, 5 f., 2-yr.-olds, Sat., June 5. \$5,000 Added
THE BELMONT, 1 1/2 mi., 3-yr.-olds, Sat., June 5.

10-July 17—Eastern Racing Association, Inc., East Boston, Mass.
17-June 19—Lincoln Fields Jockey Club, Inc., Crete, Ill. 30 days.
JOLIET STAKES, 5 f., 2-yr.-olds, Sat., May 29. \$5,000 Added
FRANCIS S. PEABODY MEM. 'CAP, 1 1-16 mi., 3 & up, Mon., May 31. \$5,000 Added
STEEPER 'CAP, 6 f., 3 & up, Sat., June 5. \$5,000 Added
LA SALLE 'CAP, 1 3-16 mi., 3 & up, Sat., June 12. \$5,000 Added
LINCOLN 'CAP, 1 1/4 mi., 3 & up, Sat., June 19. \$5,000 Added

22-29—Woodbine Park, Ontario Jockey Club, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
WILLIAM HENDRIE MEM'L 'CAP, 1 1-16 mi., 3 and up, (Canada bred), May 29. \$2,000 Added
VICTORIA STAKES, 1 1-16 mi., 2-yr.-olds, May 29. \$1,500 Added

22-Aug. 14—Spring and summer meeting, Detroit Racing Association Fair Grounds, Detroit, Mich. 73 days of racing.
THE MOTOR CITY 'CAP, 1 1-16 mi., 3-yr.-olds and up, Sat., May 29. \$5,000 Added
THE COL. ALGER MEM'L 'CAP, 1 1-16 mi., 3-yr.-olds, Mon., May 31. \$5,000 Added
THE DETROIT 'CAP, 6 furl., 3-yr.-olds, Sat., June 5. \$5,000 Added
THE CADILLAC 'CAP, 6 furl., 3-yr.-olds and up, Sat., June 12. \$7,500 Added
THE ST. AUBIN 'CAP, 5 furl., 2-yr.-olds, Sat., June 19. \$5,000 Added
THE SUMMER 'CAP, 1 1-16 mi., 3-yr.-olds and up, Sat., June 26. \$10,000 Added
THE ANNE ARBOR 'CAP, 6 furl., 3-yr.-olds and up, Sat., July 3. \$5,000 Added
THE TEST 'CAP, 1 1/2 mi., 3-yr.-olds, Mon., July 5. \$10,000 Added
THE MOSLEM TEMPLE 'CAP, 5 1/2 furl., 2-yr.-olds, Sat., July 10. \$5,000 Added
THE SPORT OF KINGS 'CAP, 6 furl., 3-yr.-olds, Sat., July 17. \$7,500 Added
THE GOVERNOR'S 'CAP, 6 furl., 2-yr.-olds and up, Sat., July 24. \$10,000 Added
THE LANSING 'CAP, 5 1/2 furl., 2-yr.-olds, Sat., July 31. \$7,500 Added
THE FRONTIER 'CAP, 1 1/2 mi., 3-yr.-olds and up, Sat., Aug. 7. \$10,000 Added
THE GODOLPHIN 'CAP, 1 1-16 mi., 3-yr.-olds and up, Sat., Aug. 14. \$7,500 Added

28-July 3—Wheeling, W. Va. 31 days.
29-July 5—Fairmount Park Jockey Club, Collinsville, Ill. 28 days.
31-June 7—Thorncliffe Park, Thorncliffe Park Racing & Breeding Assn., Ltd., Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

JUNE
7-26—Queens County Jockey Club, Aqueduct, L. I. 18 days.
QUEENS COUNTY 'CAP, 1 1-16 mi., 3 & up, Mon., June 7. \$5,000 Added
SHEVLIN STAKES, 1 1-16 mi., 3-yr.-olds, Wed., June 9. \$5,000 Added
CARTER 'CAP, 7 f., 3 & up, Sat., June 12. \$7,500 Added
ASTORIA STAKES, 5 1/2 f., 2-yr.-old fillies, Wed., June 16. \$5,000 Added
DWYER STAKES, 1 1/4 mi., 3-yr.-olds, Sat., June 19. \$25,000 Added
TREMONT STAKES, 5 1/2 f., 2-yr.-old colts & geldings, Sat., June 19. \$5,000 Added
GAZELLE STAKES, 1 1-16 mi., 3-yr.-old fillies, Wed., June 23. \$5,000 Added
BROOKLYN 'CAP, 1 1/4 mi., 3 & up, Sat., June 26. \$30,000 Added
GREAT AMERICAN STAKES, 6 f., 2-yr.-olds, Sat., June 26. \$5,000 Added
8-15—Long Branch, Long Branch Jockey Club, Ltd., Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
16-23—Dufferin Park, Metropolitan Racing Assn. of Canada, Ltd., Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
21-Sept. 6—Arlington Park Jockey Club, Inc. & Washington Park Jockey Club, Inc., at Homewood, Ill. 67 days.

STAKES
MYRTLEWOOD 'CAP, 6 f., 3 & up, Mon., June 21. \$5,000 Added
PRINCESS DOREEN STAKES, 6 f., 3-yr.-old fillies, Wed., June 23. \$5,000 Added
PRIMER STAKES, 5 1/2 f., 2-yr.-olds, Thurs., June 24. \$5,000 Added
EQUIPOISE MILE, 1 mile, 3 & up, Sat., June 26. \$10,000 Added
CINDERELLA 'CAP, 7 f., 3 & up, fillies & mares, Wed., June 30. \$5,000 Added
ROLLING LAWN 'CAP, (turf) 1 1-16 mi., 3 & up, Thurs., July 1. \$5,000 Added
GLENCOE 'CAP, 7 f., 3-yr.-olds, Sat., July 3. \$5,000 Added

LASSIE STAKES, 6 f., 2-yr.-old fillies, Sat., July 3. \$10,000 Added
STARS & STRIPES 'CAP, 1 1/4 mi., 3 & up, Mon., July 5. \$30,000 Added
NORTHWESTERN 'CAP, 7 f., 3 & up, Wed., July 7. \$5,000 Added
GREAT LAKES CLAIMING STAKES, 1 1/2 mi., 3 & up, Thurs., July 8. \$5,000 Added
ARLINGTON MATRON 'CAP, 1 mi., 3 & up, fillies & mares, Sat., July 10. \$10,000 Added
SKOKIE 'CAP, 1 mi., 3-yr.-olds, Wed., July 14. \$5,000 Added
GRASSLAND 'CAP, (turf) 1 3-16 mi., 3 & up, Thurs., July 15. \$5,000 Added
ARLINGTON FUTURITY, 6 f., 2-yr.-olds, Sat., July 17. \$20,000 Added
CLANG 'CAP, 6 f., 3 & up, Wed., July 21. \$5,000 Added
DESPLAINES 'CAP, 1 1/4 mi., 3 & up, Thurs., July 22. \$5,000 Added
ARLINGTON CLASSIC, 1 1/4 mi., 3-yr.-olds, Sat., July 24. \$50,000 Added
HYDE PARK STAKES, 5 1/2 f., 2-yr.-olds, Wed., July 28. \$5,000 Added
CLEOPATRA 'CAP, 1 mi., 3-yr.-old fillies, Thurs., July 29. \$5,000 Added
ARLINGTON 'CAP, 1 1/4 mi., 3 & up, Sat., July 31. \$5,000 Added
FLOSSMOOR 'CAP, (turf) 1 1-16 mi., 3 & up, Wed., Aug. 4. \$5,000 Added
PRINCESS PAT STAKES, 5 1/2 f., 2-yr.-old fillies, Thurs., Aug. 5. \$5,000 Added
CHICAGO 'CAP, 6 f., 3 & up, Sat., Aug. 7. \$10,000 Added

DICK WELLES 'CAP, 1 mi., 3-yr.-olds, Wed., Aug. 11. \$5,000 Added
MODESTY 'CAP, 7 f., 3 & up, fillies & mares, Thurs., Aug. 12. \$5,000 Added
SHERIDAN 'CAP, 1 1/2 mi., 3 & up, Sat., Aug. 14. \$10,000 Added
WASHINGTON PARK JUVENILE STAKES, 6 f., 2-yr.-olds, Wed., Aug. 18. \$5,000 Added
GREAT WESTERN CLAIMING 'CAP, 1 1/2 mi., 3 & up, Thurs., Aug. 19. \$5,000 Added
BEVERLY 'CAP, 1 1/4 mi., 3 & up, fillies & mares, Sat., Aug. 21. \$10,000 Added
MEADOWLAND 'CAP, (turf) 1 1/4 mi., 3 & up, Wed., Aug. 25. \$7,500 Added
PRAIRIE STATE CLAIMING STAKES, 5 1/2 f., 2-yr.-olds, Thurs., Aug. 26. \$5,000 Added
AMERICAN DERBY, 1 1/4 mi., 3-yr.-olds, Sat., Aug. 28. \$50,000 Added
DREXEL 'CAP, 1 mi., 3 & up, Wed., Sept. 1. \$5,000 Added
HOMEROW HIGHT 'CAP, 5 1/2 f., 3 & up, Thurs., Sept. 2. \$5,000 Added
WASHINGTON PARK FUTURITY, 6 f., 2-yr.-olds, Sat., Sept. 4. \$20,000 Added
WASHINGTON PARK 'CAP, 1 1/4 mi., 3 & up, Sept. 6. \$30,000 Added

24-July 1—Hamilton, Hamilton Jockey Club, Ltd., Hamilton, Ontario, Canada.
28-July 24—Empire City Racing Ass'n., Yonkers, N. Y.
EMPIRE CITY 'CAP, 1 3-16 mi., 3-yr.-olds, Sat., July 3. \$25,000 Added
DEMOISELLE STAKES, abt. 6 f., 2-yr.-olds, fillies, Mon., July 5. \$5,000 Added
THE BUTLER 'CAP, 1 3-16 mi., 3 & up, Sat., July 10. \$30,000 Added
EAST VIEW STAKES, abt. 6 f., 2-yr.-old colts & geldings, Wed., July 14. \$5,000 Added
FLEETWING 'CAP, abt. 6 f., 3 & up, Sat., July 17. \$7,500 Added

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WAKEFIELD STAKES, abt. 6 f., 2-yr.-olds, Wed., July 21. \$5,000 Added
YONKERS 'CAP, 1 1-16 mi., 3 & up, Sat., July 24. \$10,000 Added

JULY
7-Sept. 11—Garden State Racing Ass'n., Camden, N. J. No racing Mondays, Sept. 6 excepted, 50 days.
CAMDEN 'CAP, 6 f., 3 & up, Wed., July 7. \$5,000 Added
RANCOAS STAKES, 6 f., 2-yr.-olds, Sat., July 10. \$5,000 Added
BENJAMIN FRANKLIN 'CAP, 6 f., 3-yr.-olds, Sat., July 17. \$5,000 Added
QUAKER CITY 'CAP, 1 1-16 mi., 3 & up, Sat., July 24. \$5,000 Added
WILLIAM PENN STAKES, 6 f., 2-yr.-olds, Sat., July 31. \$5,000 Added
VALLEY FORGE 'CAP, 6 f., 3 & up, Aug. 7. \$5,000 Added
COLONIAL 'CAP, 6 f., 3 & up, fillies & mares, Sat., Aug. 14. \$5,000 Added
JERSEY 'CAP, 1 1/2 mi., 3-yr.-olds, Sat., Aug. 21. \$10,000 Added
TRENTON 'CAP, 1 1/4 mi., 3 & up, Sat., Aug. 28. \$10,000 Added
PRINCETON 'CAP, 6 f., 3 & up, Sat., Sept. 4. \$5,000 Added
WALT WHITMAN STAKES, 6 f., 2-yr.-olds, Mon., Sept. 6. \$5,000 Added
VINELAND 'CAP, 1 1-16 mi., 3 & up, fillies & mares, Sat., Sept. 11. \$10,000 Added

31-Aug. 19—Ascot Park, Akron, Ohio. 19 days.
31-Aug. 7—Hamilton, Hamilton Jockey Club, Ltd., Hamilton, Ontario, Canada.

AUGUST
2-Sept. 6—Washington Park Jockey Club, Inc., Homewood, Ill. 31 days.
28-Oct. 9—Fairmount Park Jockey Club, Collinsville, Ill. 32 days.
30-Sept. 18—Queens County Jockey Club, Aqueduct, L. I. 18 days.

SEPTEMBER
7-Oct. 16—Hawthorne, Chicago Business Men's Racing Assn., Cicero, Ill. 35 days.
20-Oct. 9—Belmont Park, Westchester Racing Assn., Long Island, N. Y.
25-Oct. 2—Woodbine Park, Ontario Jockey Club, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
11-18—Thorncliffe Park, Thorncliffe Park Racing & Breeding Assn., Ltd., Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

OCTOBER
6-13—Long Branch, Long Branch Jockey Club, Ltd., Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
11-20—Metropolitan Jockey Club, Jamaica, L. I. 9 days.
18-23—Dufferin Park, Metropolitan Racing Assn. of Canada, Ltd., Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
18-30—Sportsman's Park, National Jockey Club, Cicero, Ill. 12 days.
21-Nov. 3—Empire City Racing Assn., Yonkers, N. Y.

Steeplechasing

MAY

22-29—Ontario Jockey Club Spring Meeting, Woodbine Park, Toronto, Canada.
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Belmont Park, Westchester Racing Ass'n., Long Island, N. Y.
THE MEADOW BROOK 'CHASE 'CAP, abt. 2 1/2 mi., 4 & up, Tues., June 1. \$5,000 Added
7-26—The Queens County Meeting, Aqueduct, N. Y.
THE SPRING MAIDEN 'CHASE, abt. 2 mi., Mon., June 7. \$2,000 Added
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THE CAGLIOSTRO HURDLE 'CAP, 3-yr.-olds, about 1 1/4 miles, Wed., June 16. \$2,500 Added
THE HITCHCOCK 'CHASE 'CAP, 4-yr.-olds and up, about 2 1/2 miles, Wed., June 23. \$5,000 Added

Horse Shows

MAY

27-30—Fulton DeKalb Horse Show, Fort McPherson, Ga.
28—Massachusetts Military Academy Spring Horse Show, Woodstock, Va.
28-29-30—Atlanta Horse Show, Ga.
29—Sherwood Horse and Pony Show, Timonium, Md.
29-30—Deep Run Horse Show, Richmond, Va.
29-30—Reading, Pa.
31—Hot Springs, Va.

JUNE

5—Greenville, S. C.
5—Long Green, Baldwin, Md.
5—Toronto Junior Horse Show, Toronto, Canada.
5-6—Troy Horse Show, Troy, New York.
6—Second Annual Victory Horse Show, La Grange, Ill.
6—Irondequoit Spur Club, Rochester, N. Y.
11-12—Sedgefield Horse Show, Sedgefield, N. C.
12—St. Margaret's Hunt Club, Annapolis, Md.
12—Broomall Horse Show, Broomall, Penna.
13—The Boot and Spur Club, Casper, Wyoming 13th Annual Horse Show.
13—Yant Hill Horse Show, Calif.
18-19—Winston Salem, North Carolina.
18-20—Cincinnati Saddle Horse Ass'n. Charity Horse Show, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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SHOW REPORTS—

We will present all the small shows we can, starting on the front page. We may not use summaries, but they will be here when available, for information of anyone who may wish to clear up a question. In reports therefore, please mention the principle winners in the body of the story.

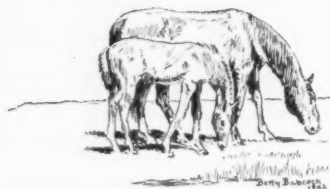
STEEPLECHASING—

We are glad to call your attention to our new contributor of the 'chasing column. "Spectator" is eminently fitted for this important assignment. It is our honest belief that we can now present the most understanding reports of the various meetings that are forthcoming.

KEEPING TOGETHER—

We realize that our horse people are going all over the country and other countries, too. It is no easy job to keep in touch. It is one thing that we have to strive for in this office. Our world of men and women must stay together, everyone knows it. One of the best ways is to have little bits of news constantly coming in, however apparently insignificant it is. Be quite sure we will always pass it on through The Chronicle.

Horsemen's



News-

Stakes Summaries

Emerson F. Woodward

The Thoroughbred racing and breeding world lost a staunch supporter when Emerson F. Woodward succumbed to injuries sustained when a train struck his car at a grade crossing on Saturday, May 22. Mrs. Woodward was killed instantly.

Valdina, which is the contraction of two Texas counties, Uvalde and Medina, has become well-known in the racing circles as the prefix to the name of the home-bred Thoroughbreds. The 19,000 Valdina Farm is one of the country's largest breeding establishments and its first home-bred crop numbering nearly 100, went forth in 1939. Today there are almost 100 mares and the stallions Teddy's Comet, Osculator, Pet-rose, Bagenbaggage, imp. Hollywood and imp. Knight's Caprice. There are approximately 60 1943 foals at the farm. Much of the breeding stock has been imported from England and Ireland one of the recent ones was Rounders who defeated Whirlaway in an outing in 1942. One of the outstanding 3-year-olds out last season was Valdina Orphan and many more names can be added to the list who have carried the Valdina silks to the winner's circle.

Avon Notes

BY ESTHER TAYLOR

John Hasler, custodian at Lookover Stallion Station, is very cheerful over the prospects for the breeding season. He has quite a few mares for *Tourist II already. It is an opportunity to have a horse of his class standing in the Valley for those who might like to try for a chaser as well as a hunter. He is a handsome horse with a splendid disposition. We are mighty lucky that Mrs. Scott let him come to Lookover.

As you can see by the enclosed sheet, I am trying my hand at a bit of publicity for the Cleveland Bay stallion standing here. Certainly there is a place in such a community for this horse, with the emphasis there is on useful horses.

The predominating interest here has been in the Thoroughbred for stallions, this was left by Mrs. Wadsworth and carried on by the Jockey Club. Still there is no reason why the Cleveland Bay should not have his place for useful hunter production, especially where there are Thoroughbred mares, as that is the right cross for him, for a hunter raising country, and he can serve a useful purpose indeed in that production.

Frank Snyder is going to hold a Memorial Day Horse Show at his Ashantee Riding Stables on the Avon-Genesee Road on the 30th.

There is a class for "suitable to become hunters", 4 years and under, which is a nice innovation in this local show. It should encourage some of the local farmers to bring out their young things.

Thoroughbreds

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Galopin and St. Angela started in 11 races, winning them all without the semblance of a contest upon a single occasion.

The moment the flag fell he rushed to the front, opened up a big gap, the farther he went the farther he left his field behind, unless pulled down—and that he did not like, so it was seldom attempted—and after having literally galloped his field to a standstill, would win far off by himself with such a margin as his jockey might select.

So phenomenal was his speed and so endless his capacity to carry it that nothing he met could make even a semblance of matching strides with him.

Archer, who rode him in most of his races, said of him that he seemed to "paralyze" all competition; that in going a few furlongs he so completely subdued it that thereafter nothing was left of the race. It became merely a question of his breezing along as he chose.

Here in America the first horse we had of that type was Luke Blackburn. He was 4 years older than St. Simon (foaled 1877) and anticipated him, therefore, in playing such a role.

He did not, however, like the younger horse, begin it immediately. As a 2-year-old he was just moderate. But as a 3-year-old he developed his irresistible style.

During the season he ran 24 races and won 22. In his first effort, in which he was 3rd, he was started when sick and unfit. Thereafter, when in form, he lost but a single start, and that day he fell, unseated his jockey and did not finish.

Otherwise he spread-eagled everything he met, and this included not only all the best 3-year-olds of the season but the best aged horses; giving them, when asked, great lumps of weight, at all distances up to 2 miles.

The moment the get-away came he was off and gone and thereafter all the others saw of him was his flying heels far in advance and constantly drawing farther and farther away as the race progressed.

So furious was his manner of running that McLaughlin, his jockey, would be completely exhausted at the end of a race and had to be helped out of the saddle.

At the wire, in races of 2 miles, Luke Blackburn would finish with his mouth wide open, making every effort to overcome control and literally "run off with the race."

It required 30 years before we saw another horse of that kind.

Then Man o'War appeared.

He ran 21 races and won 20 of them—and, as is well known, the only race he lost was a fluke in which his defeat was an utterly untrue bill.

Man o'War ran in almost the same style as St. Simon and Luke Blackburn. He smothered all opposition in the early stages of each race by galloping them off their legs in their hopeless attempts to stay with him.

In some of his performances, in which he established American records that still stand, he won by 20 to 30 lengths not only, but with his head pulled around on his neck in the efforts of his jockey to restrain him.

On just one occasion he seemed momentarily to have met a horse capable of making a contest with him.

This occasion, which has become historic in our turf annals, was when he was 3, in the Dwyer Stakes. At one point John P. Grier looked to have him straight, with the possibility of heading him.

But a few moments more and Grier fell back beaten while Man o'War came hurtling home to break another record.

It afterward transpired that he was started "short" in this race, not having had a proper chance to be readied for it. Hence he did not come to the post in normal form.

Since Man o'War, the nearest approach we have had to him in that regard was his son War Admiral.

Like Luke Blackburn, the Admiral did not develop his top form until he was 3, when he was unbeatable not only, but left his fields, with few exceptions, down the course while he careered under the wire as if winning was a play-spell.

His only subsequent defeat was in the Pimlico Special—really a match with Seabiscuit—in which, a tremendous favorite, he was so unexpectedly beaten.

But this race was not a true bill. He came to it improperly prepared, due largely to the fact that his trainer, George Conway, was and had for some time been a very ill man, his death following soon afterward.

Hence the effort he made that day was in no way representative. While to add to his handicaps, his rider was caught napping at the start and, in the opinion of many who saw the race, it was decided in the first furlong.

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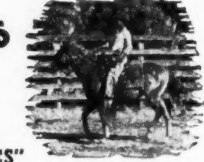
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The Snorting Calendar

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19—Greystone Horse and Pony Show, Md.
20—Allentown, Pa.
23-26—Charles Town, W. Va. Horse Show Association Annual Show.
26—Toronto Horse Show, Eglinton Hunt Club Grounds, York Mills.
28—The Toronto Horse Show, Toronto, Canada.

JULY

3—York Horse Show, York, Pa.
11—Metropolitan Horsemen's Assn., Oakland, Calif.
14-17—Junior League Show, Lexington, Ky.
17-18—The Junior League Horse Show, Colorado Springs, Col.

AUGUST

7—Hot Springs, Va.
7—Colorado Springs Horse and Colt Show, Colorado Springs, Col.
7-14—Colorado Springs, Colo.
21—Long Green Carnival, Long Green, Md.
22—Allentown, Pa.

SEPTEMBER

2—Nazareth, Pa.
6—Altoona, Pa.
6—St. Margaret's Church, Annapolis, Md.
12—Brooksville, L. I., N. Y.
18—Pikesville Kiwanis Club, Pikesville, Md.
16-18—Stony Brook, L. I., N. Y.
18-19—Charlottesville, Va.

OCTOBER

8-10—West Orange, N. J.
10—Chevy Chase, Md.

NOVEMBER

3-10 or 5—National Horse Show, New York. (Tentative).

News And Activities Of Recent Horse Shows

Garrison Forest

By CELESTE HUTTON

After a week's postponement, the day dawned for the Garrison Horse Show. It looked like rain and the dampness and chill in the air brought a non-stop expectant feeling to those who were planning to watch the events. The weather, however, was ideal for those riding as it was cool enough for them to really enjoy the whole procedure. The show was scheduled for 12:30 on Saturday, May 16, but due to the tardiness of the judges, was a little late in starting. This, however, did not seem to bother the participants any for it is not often that so many schools get together at once and there was a great deal of chatter exchanged.

Really a great deal of credit is due Mrs. Whitman, who teaches riding at Garrison, for her girls had consistently good performances. Mrs. Whitman seems to be able to instill a love for the sport in every girl and it is a treat to watch what a kick she gets out of her girls doing a good job. To see her you wouldn't think of her so much as a teacher but rather an interested and enthusiastic onlooker.

McDonough competed for the first time this year and really did themselves proud. Taylor Cook rode Meddler to the championship. Meddler certainly is a wonderful horse. He is so safe and so bold always, and seems absolutely tireless. Paddy Smithwick's Lynton took the reserve championship. Everyone will agree that this young horse is really doing herself proud this year, and give her special credit for winning the touch and out class against horses so much older and more experienced.

Eleanor Seggarman got the Garrison cup. This trophy is only open to girls in the school and as a result is the most coveted of all. Congratulations are certainly welcome and forthcoming I am sure.

This year the Garrison Horse Show was a part of the Commencement. The school let out the Monday following the show. If an outsider's opinion is worth anything, the show was a great success and certainly must have added to what followed.

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Medeira School

By PRISCILLA ENDICOTT

The riding club of the Madeira School, in Fairfax County, Md., held its annual show on May 22. Mrs. Dean Bedford and Miss Virginia Brown handled the judging most efficiently.

Alice Babcock with 11 1-2 points won the championship. Phoebe Hodges was reserve. Both based on horsemanship.

The feature event of the day was the Red and White team competition. The competitors were the 4 girls winning in the horsemanship classes and an additional 4 picked by Miss Gaines. The Red team riders were Betty Bernet, Helen Bachman, Alice Babcock and Dudley Hill. The White team won with Phyllis Brown, the president of the club, Cary Shelden, Janet Middleton and Betty Brownell.

Winners in the various classes were:—Road Hacks, Helen Bachman, Go-as-you-please, Nancy Atherton. Second Team good hands, Margaret Van Boetzelaer. First team horsemanship, Alice Babcock. Saddle pairs, Lucy Gay and Betsy King. 2nd, 3rd and 4th team horsemanship, Phoebe Hodges. 3rd Team good hands, Katherine Stanley. Working Hunters, Hank, Phyllis Betts. Handy Hunters, Midge, Patricia Straus. 1st team good hands, Alice Babcock. Hunt Teams, Polly Goodrich, Kathryn Cameron, Phoebe Hodges.

For the horses which performed, Hank, owned by Mary Davidson was champion and Juniper, owned by Miss Gaines was reserve. Details of the results is at this office for inquiries.

Mary Eberle Winner

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ionship award. Mrs. John W. Lawrence of Pittsburgh, Pa., ably handled the judging of hunters, jumpers and equitation. Dr. M. G. Erwin took the Western classes, a difficult task, as both of these classes were well filled.

Jack Potter, huntsman of the Bridlespur has done a good job in interesting the young riders in hunting and showing. He persuaded Mrs. Kaltenbach to turn over the children's hunts to the youngsters. Those who could took turns being master, hunting hounds and whippers-in. Then as a climax, they put on this bang-up show, handling every detail themselves.

General Chairman Adelbert von Goutard, Jr. worked like a trooper, for weeks to make the show the success it was. On the day of the show, while the strain of responsibility was great, it did not prevent him from winning the blue in the Musical Chairs and several other ribbons. He ended his "Big Day" by being on the winning Hunt Team.

A word about this event, it is always more impressive, when it is known that each one of the team of junior riders can take over the duties he is at the time representing. In this case, Adie rode Shining Star, his brother Paul was up on Mikie, both as whippers-in, Mary Cooper on Peggy Dare was acting-master. They spared their horses well, yet rode as if hounds were really running. The spectators loved it when Mary's expert blowing of her horn, during appointments judging, called hounds

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The Briar Patch

Down on the banks of the James river, where they build the mighty carriers for the navy, little would be normally expected of horse shows. But there is an element that holds its own and is enthusiastically aided by the local dailies.

A friend of ours with the N. A. C. A. at Langley Field, he not a horseman, has been courteous enough to send along several pages from the Daily Press and the Times Herald, of Newport News. 16 pages of the paper carried 9 excellent pictures. There had been a show at Hilton Village, in Warwick County, of Virginia.

There was a story and a picture of a certain 73-year-old with his 37-year-old mare. There were some jumping pictures, and others. In spite of the fact that Riverland and Count Fleet were doing doubtful deeds in the Maryland country—ample space was devoted to the local horse talent. Mrs. R. W. Mitchell seems to have been behind the 2 days of showing. It is a pity that we have no further information. Suffice it to say that there is evidently an up-and-going group down there who carry on.

Rochester Show

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ing hunter class went to Black Irish, above mentioned, who had to beat Ashantee Bell which demanded a lot of the winner, and Cream of Sports who never appeared better.

Robert Edward Murphy rode his Showman by Harmonicon for the red in the amateur jumping where his brother, John D. Murphy Jr. had the yellow with Baby Face, by Hurry Off, which two were placed in that same order but for blue and red in the children's jumpers, with Masquerader ridden by Robert Whitehouse for a good third.

The open hunter class was a win for Ashantee Bell with Royal Revellie second and Black Irish third.

Winners in the horsemanship classes were Robert Whitehouse, William Bowman, Miss Joan Churchill, and Robert E. Murphy. Miss Jane Hall and Willard K. Hall Jr. of Oswego won the family class. Donald Heberle with Dusty and Howard Schlenker with Patches each won a western class.

Napa Valley

By BARBARA ZIMMERMAN

In spite of adverse conditions the Napa Valley Third Annual Horse Show went on, due to this fact for a few weeks to come some folks will skip a trip or two into town, that old A coupon went to the horse show.

The list of exhibitors was large and the grandstands were well filled which proved people still have a minute for pleasure. The exhibitors were mostly made up of amateurs with one and two horse stables.

The first jumping class was a very good one shown over a very stiff course of eight jumps. The winner was Rolling Stone owned and ridden by Bill Arruda of Napa. Rolling Stone was an outstanding horse on the 1942 circuit shown by Bob (Ned) Burns, who now is in the Navy somewhere off the Pacific Coast. Rolling Stone had the only clean go. The Yank, owned and ridden by Santa Lota of Sacramento was second with one fault. Space to Spare, owned and shown by Willah Helbush of Livermore had to go three times to win third from Bataan, well ridden by his youthful owner, George Richards of Sacramento.

The Hunter Class was an easy win for Space to Spare over Lorayne Deller's Opque who was going a little sticky. Billy The Kid, owned and ridden by Selma Piazzoli of Oakland improved his go of the jumper class and had third ribbon. Fourth went to Eva Gene Dager's sharp little chestnut Sierra Sun.

The show was judged by Mr. L. R. (Pat) Linfoot of Palo Alto

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The Royal enclosure, in peace time the sanctum of society in gray toppers and Paris frocks, was open to the public. The King was in his Field Marshall's uniform and the Queen wore a pale lilac dress with matching hat. A large number of American soldiers and officers were present at the Royal meeting, which was, however, shorn of all its pageantry and glamor.

Few people, unless they have been to Ascot, appreciate the Sport of Kings at its best, for Ascot is the property of the Crown vested in the Ascot Authority. Those who manage the meeting, and keep the accounts are responsible to the King alone while he can exclude anyone of whom he does not approve and invite anyone he chooses to attend as his guest. The members of The Jockey Club, for example, are guests of the King at Ascot and therefore, coming as it usually does early in June when the Royal Procession enters the enclosure and the air is rife with cheers for their Majesties, one sees sport with Thoroughbreds at its best on either side of the Atlantic.

The Royal Ascot meeting is the only one in the world that I know of where every race on the program for the four days meeting, is a stake. I am sure that in no other country in the world are there gathered more beautiful, well dressed ladies and perfectly attired gentlemen than at Ascot. The men appear in morning dress with silk hat and in the last thirty years the color has been changed from black to grey. Prince Aly Kahn used to wear the latter in the most fetching slant on his head and Lord Lonsdale, who in 1901 was the great dandy of Europe, created a sensation by wearing, as the day was warm, white trousers.

I can well imagine how beautiful Lady Zita Wernher, whom I had the honor of meeting at the splendid dinner given by Count Potoki a few years ago at the Polish Embassy in Washington, must have looked when she proudly, before the King, the Royal family and the Lords and Dukes of the United Kingdom led in her great son of **Hurry On—Precipitation**, the winner of the Gold Cup of '36.

For years Lord Granard was Master of the Buck Hounds and with him lay the final decisions with regards to the applications for admission to the enclosure at Ascot, and his approval or veto is always eagerly awaited when Ascot approaches in the racing season.

When Lilly Langtry imported **Merman** from Australia and entered him for the Royal Hunt Cup, the air was rife with gossip as to whether the fair lady would be allowed in the Royal Enclosure but the Prince of Wales' opinion of her as a sportswoman was best shown by these words:

"Few men understood racing better than did that amazing woman, whose exquisite profile was backed by the brains of a man—an exceedingly sane and cold blooded man at that."

It is needless to say that when **Merman** was proclaimed the winner of the Ascot Hunt Cup Mrs. Langtry was seated at a tea table with Royalty in the enclosure and I remember a delightful etching of the occasion and the artist took pains to pose the fair lady so that her svelte figure, perfect profile, wonderful hair and the loveliest back in the world were not lost.

Later, when she came to America, she retained the services of Lindsay Fitzpatrick of Dublin and when I was in Ireland he confided to me stories of the wonderful tour which she had in the States, going by private pullman from city to city and when in New York her domicile was the splendid house which "Freddy" Gebbart had bought for her.

My first page of illustrations shows what American bred horses have done at Ascot and the following story shows my interest in the great race. When I gave the second Sportsman's Dinner in New York I asked members of The Jockey Club, The Steeplechase Association and The Sportsmen of America, to send their racing colors to adorn the walls of The Waldorf Astoria dining room and I also said I would be grateful if they would forward such sporting books and pictures as might be of interest and trophies which their horses had won.

The response was splendid and the memorable evening of the dinner there were forty or fifty sets of racing colors on view, a carefully catalogued library of rare sporting books, together with paintings including those by Troye from The Jockey Club, the first time they were ever shown, Mr. August Belmont's private collection and many others. The offering of Silver Trophies, cups, etc., was splendid and for a few days before the dinner I was kept busy arranging the shelves for the books, the walls for the pictures and tables for the racing trophies.

One day, Oscar of The Waldorf came to me and said, "Mr. Smith, Mr. James R. Keene, as you know, lives in the hotel. He has not been very well and he sent for me to carry word to you that he would be grateful if you would come up to his apartment." This of course I was delighted to do. I found the old gentleman, while frail, still keenly alive with the cold steel glance which had distinguished him at the track and on account of my winning the Championship Steeplechase and running first and second in the American Grand National in 1901 and being with "Billy" Hayes, the only gentleman rider to take chances with the professionals, he had always remembered me with a kindly nod at Morris Park and Sheephead.

Mr. Keene said: "Mr. Smith, I believe you are doing a great thing and I want to aid you and ask your permission to have a separate table for my racing colors and trophies and also to arrange, if possible through Oscar, so that I can sit, out of view of your guests, in one of the boxes in the dining room and view the occasion and hear the speeches."

I, of course, granted his request with alacrity and then he added: "I

won the Ascot Gold Cup with **Foxall** in '82. It is now in the fireproof vault in the ruins of the Equitable Building, which burned down day before yesterday and tomorrow I shall have a gang of fifty men remove the bricks, open the safe so as to have the Cup on exhibition at your dinner."

It was with great elation that I thanked the hard bitten sportsman who had made his name and "pile" among the wild outlaw miners and bankers of San Francisco, came and fought Wall Street to a standstill, had charge of the market at the request of J. Pierpont Morgan when the Steel Corporation was founded and the last twenty years of his life had at Castleton, Lexington, in Kentucky, yearly bred Thoroughbreds which carried off more than their share of victories.

When I was showing my harness horses at the Open Air Horse Show at the Polo Grounds in New York in 1893, **Foxall** who had just landed from England, was entered by Mr. Keene, in the Thoroughbred Stallion Class, a lovely bay stallion with black points but which unfortunately was not successful as a sire on either side of the Atlantic.

At the Sportsmen's dinner, Mr. Keene's table was the cynosure of all eyes and personally the old gentleman must have been extremely pleased for he wrote me a letter of congratulation the next day.

But his son **Foxall** was a different type and then I've said enough. Mr. Keene's horses in England at one time were trained by Sam Darling of Beckhampton and one of my pictures shows the trophies won by that very able trainer or presented to him by his patrons. The bottom row, left to right, shows the Gold Cup won by **Willonix** and on the base will be seen The Lion and the Unicorn of the Royal House.

I know no more interesting book than Sam Darling's *Reminiscences* but space does not permit me to give a list of the winners he trained and how his son Fred Darling last year at Beckhampton turned out **Sun Chariot** and **Big Game** and nine other winners which put him at the head of leading trainers for 1942. Sam Darling wrote: "The best horse I trained for Mr. Keene was **Caps and Bells**, which won the Oaks over a mile and a half in 1901. **Colin** was practically broken down before he came to England but I was able to try him out and here is the result.

Six Furlong Trial

1. **Colin**.....9 st. 8 lb.
2. **Jack Snipe**.....8 st. 8 lbs.

Colin won a length and a half giving **Jack Snipe** a stone (14 lbs.) and at this time he was at his best."

When Sam Darling sent out **Jack Snipe** to try **Colin**, he sent one of his best for the latter was "a veritable flyer over short courses."

When **Colin** broke down he stood in England for a few seasons and was really given no chance and so was not appreciated on his return to America and it was only when he happened to fall into the hands of Edward D. McLean at his breeding Stud at Leesburg, Virginia, that the value of his blood was proved and is now being borne successfully by **Alsab**.

Sam Darling's book so interested me that I wrote him of my appreciation and he replied in his own hand which was firm and true:

"Willonix,
Beckhampton,
Marlborough,
Wilts.
Dec. 2nd, 1915.

Dear Sir:

By todays post I got your letter for which I beg to thank you. I feel honored my book has interested you. It is also a pleasure to me to find you have known my clients for whom I had such good if not phenomenal luck.

If Mr. Foxall Keene had not been on the scene at all I should have done much bigger things for his Father, though at the finish the latter told me to take no notice of him, the son, but it was too late as I had asked the old gentleman to move his horses on for which I was sorry.

What a splendid record you have had. How interesting to have a yarn with you. When are you coming over? I know of most of the authors in your Collection and have read many of their works.

Yours truly,

Sam Darling."

Sam Darling was one of the few trainers who could have asked a man like Mr. Keene "to move his horses on" but he came from a family of great trainers and his father, old Sam in the Midlands was revered for had he not, riding in his blue jacket and black cap mounted on a big, upstanding grey Thoroughbred, **Isaac**, won 19 races out of 24 starts.

Sam Darling commenced his career by training near Croome Court, the seat of the Earl of Coventry who won the Grand National in successive years with **Emblem** and **Emblematic**. After his marriage he removed to Beckhampton where his great triumphs were with Mr. Gubbins **Ard Patrick** and **Galtee Moore**, both of which were foaled on the grand pastures of Ireland which I galloped over when a guest of Nigel Baring, Master of the Limerick Hounds.

Those who read these lines will not be surprised at Sam Darling's statement in regard to Foxhall Keene, who, while one of the greatest natural sportsmen the world has ever known had a temperament that was his undoing.

And one has but to read his own story of his life, "Full Tilt", published in 1938, to appreciate how terribly he handicapped himself.

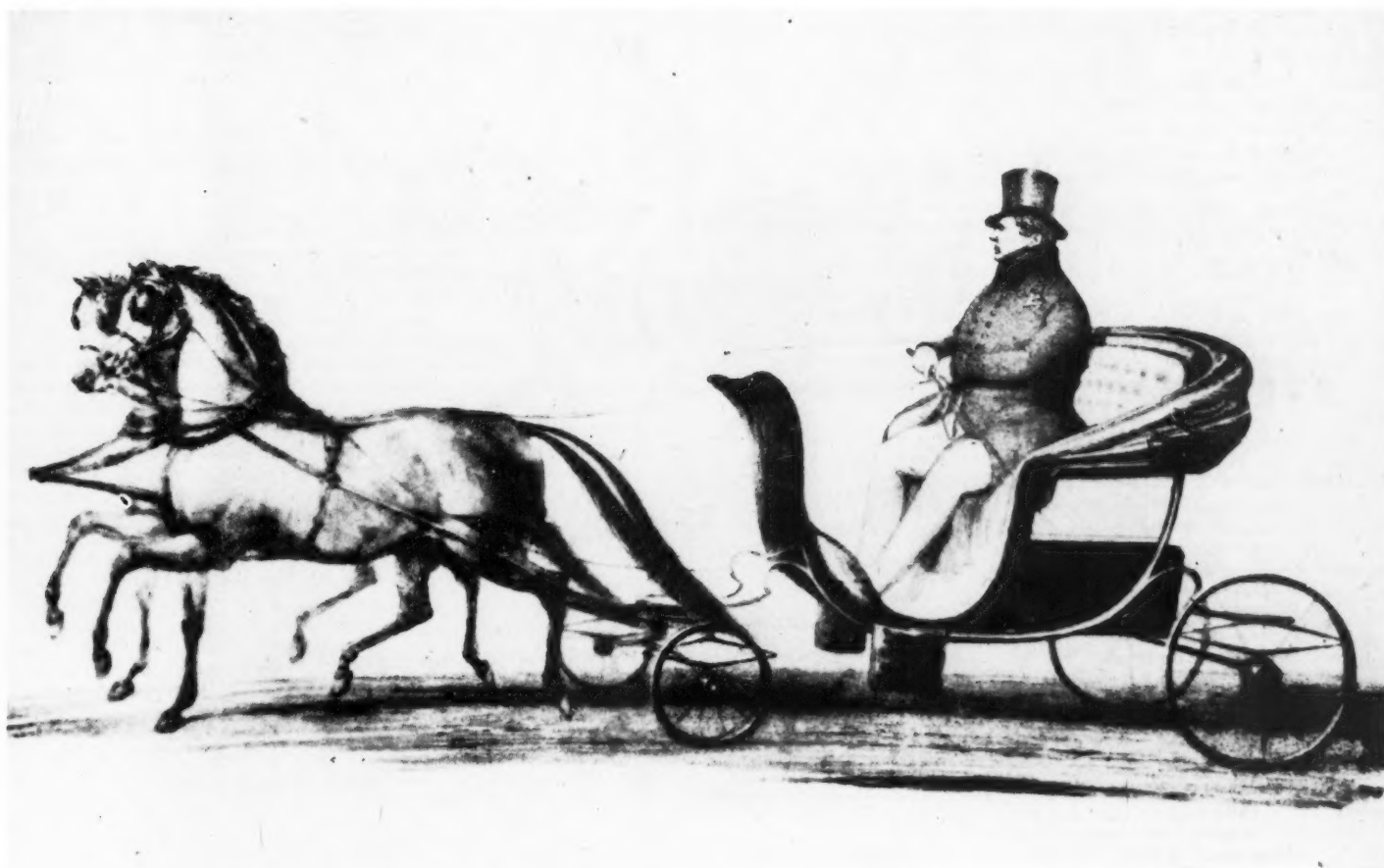
He was a hard man to beat following the Drag Hounds over the stiff Meadowbrook fences but was not especially good following fox hounds not being country wise. In amateur races being careful to be mounted on the best, he more than often held his own, by stealing the start as there were no gates in those days. He showed his utter fearlessness at the wheel of a racing motor car in the Vanderbilt Cup when he drove like a superman. At court tennis and golf he was always at or near the top.

For fourteen years he had a handicap of ten goals at Polo and was captain of the 1913 team against the English cracks.

His father was very proud of him and for years could refuse him nothing and beginning in the late 90's the white blue spots of James R. Keene and son

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ROYAL ASCOT



King George IV drives to Ascot
A print published in 1830, the year of King's death
This was the monarch who instituted -
The Royal Ascot Procession
From the writer's collection

James R. Keene, won the Ascot
Cup with FOXHALL in 1882.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hertz were
second for the Ascot Cup with
REIGH COUNT in 1929.

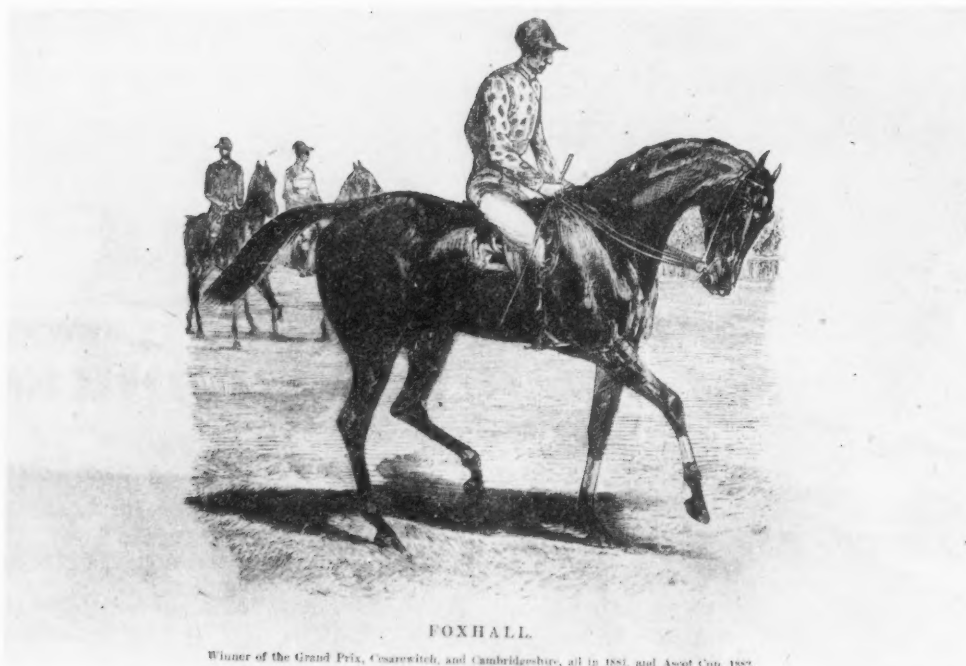


William Woodward won the Ascot
Cup with FLARES in 1938.

Was second with OMAHA for the
Ascot Cup in 1936.

Ascot Cup 1938
Solid gold, 13-3/8"
from tip to base.

ROYAL ASCOT



FOXHALL.

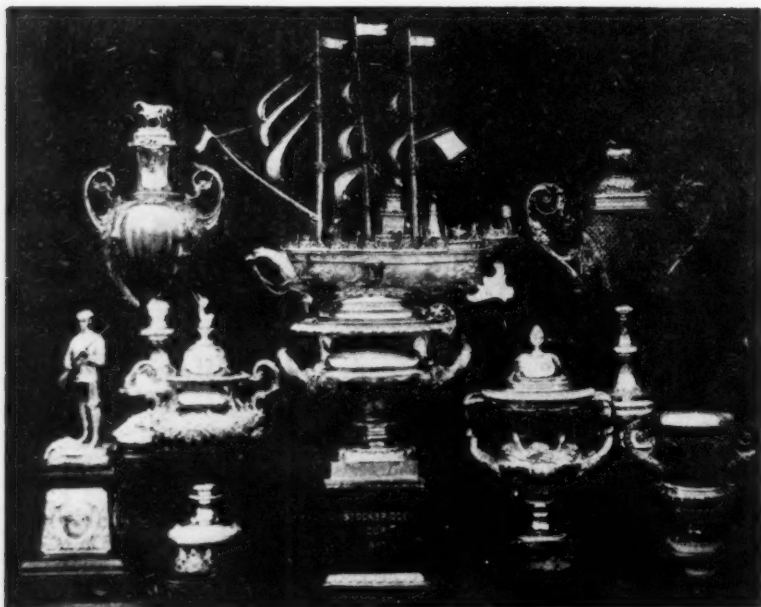
Winner of the Grand Prix, Casarewitch, and Cambridgehire, all in 1881, and Ascot Cup, 1882.

With Archer up in the white and blue spots of James R. Keene.



A SKETCH BY JOHN LEECH.

You going to Hascot, Bill? "Why, yes, I'm going to chaperong this young lady down by the rail."



Silver Trophies, the property of
The great English Trainer, Sam
Darling of Beckhampton.

Top row (left to right): BRADGATE CUP, WARWICK, WON BY SAM DARLING'S "ACROBAT." SILVER SHIP, FROM C. E. HOWARD, ESQ., TO SAM DARLING, IN COMMEMORATION OF HIGH WEIGHT PLATE, ASCOT, WON BY "WEATHER-COCK." COTSWOLD CUP, CHELTENHAM, WON BY SAM DARLING'S "COLLINGBOURNE."
Bottom row (left to right): MODEL OF SPORTSMAN WILD FOWL SHOOTING, IN COMMEMORATION OF "WILDFOWLER'S" ST. LEGER. GOLD CUP, ASCOT, WON BY "WILLOWYX," PRESENTED BY C. E. HOWARD, ESQ. STOCKBRIDGE CUP, WON BY "KILCOCK," THE PROPERTY OF CAPTAIN GREER AND SAM DARLING. CHESTER CUP, WON BY "WILLOWYX." BUCKEN CUP, ALSO WON BY "WILLOWYX," PRESENTED BY C. E. HOWARD, ESQ.

Notes From Great Britain

By J. FAIRFAX-BLAKEBOROUGH

Common Belief That Birds From Same Covey Pair In Spring Is Incorrect

I have this week had a letter from an ex-gamekeeper on a big estate, who says:

I never remember rooks starting to build so early as this year. There were young rooks hatched on the 5th of April. There has been a good deal of discussion (in view of the increase in the number of partridges) regarding the necessity of thinning them out more drastically to prevent inbreeding and consequent disease. I never saw disease amongst partridges during my long experience, and am certain that the common belief that birds from the same covey pair in the Spring is incorrect. The fact is that members of coveys won't pair together, and this I can prove beyond doubt by long observation which has placed me in possession of a secret which I would explain if we could meet.

There certainly seem to be more partridges about than for some years (a direct, and expected, result of ploughing out grassland), but we see fewer sires, especially "blood 'uns", being led along country roads. These are free from motorists, if not from hastening lorries, laden with essentials for the new R. A. F. sites which are everywhere in the course of erection. Apropos of this one old farmer remarked this week "Yan might think 't' war was going on for ever when one looks at all the new air-plane grounds they're making, which will take years to finish."

"The Merry Month"

And this is May! the season of the year, as Milton said, "When the air is calm and pleasant and it were an injury and sullenness against nature not to go out and see her riches and partake in her rejoicing with heaven and earth." Our ancestors made much of Mayday and indulged much more in May rejoicings than did we even in normal times. Somehow (and the fact is to be regretted), we have lost that simplicity of mind that was theirs, that made dancing round the garland-decked May-pole and all the attendant rural festivities on the village green a joyous thing. Chaucer told us "Forth goeth all court, both most and least, to fetch flowers fresh." Even country parsons gave themselves up to May frolics, for do we not read of one in the 17th century who "read the Common Prayer briefly, and the rest of the day, except eating-time, spent in dancing under the May-pole and a great tree, where all the town met together." Now, neither wild May flowers, or May dew (once thought the best of all cosmetics) are gathered, nor have farmers waited until the dawn of the May to turn out their horses and other stock, which it is still believed, derive such benefit from May showers on their backs. It was held that these not only killed lice, but in some mysterious way, acted as a freshening stimulant. Some of us are much in need of all the filip May dew, May showers and May flowers can give in these anxious days. Even though we cannot enter fully into the spirit of "the merry month", we will, nonetheless, unconsciously be influenced by it, no matter how distant our hearts and

thoughts may be, and no matter though sirens sound and bombs drop.

Animal Fears

Apropos this I heard the other day of a dog which was so terrified in a recent 'blitz' that it fled in panic and was found on some moorlands more than a dozen miles from its home. I heard, too, of horses screaming in terror on the same night when a land-mine was dropped in nearby fields. This surprised me as I don't remember hearing a single horse utter any sound of fear in France or Belgium during the last war, when bombs fell at night near (or on) horse-lines, or when shells whined overhead, or burst near during the daytime. It may, of course, have been that they, like us, became used to the sounds of battle, which therefore, lost their terror.

If there is no May hunting, and if branches of sport are restricted by war conditions, the hound trailing season, particularly in Cumberland, seems to be progressing with customary enthusiasm. The "Student of Form", who is the recognized authority on trail hounds, tells us that owing to transport difficulties local hounds are faced with less opposition than formerly. He goes on:

This is going to be a hard season for trail hounds. Only the strongest and fittest are likely to survive successfully seven months of travelling over plough, and in turn, ground heavy in crop. Stamina and experience, even more than speed and brains, may be invaluable in the conditions prevailing. If hounds there are who possess all the qualities, physical as well as mental, then it will be a case of odds on as far as their doing well for their owners is concerned.

Breeding Types

The same conditions will face fox-hunting and already those concerned with hound breeding are discussing change of type to meet the "speed the plough" changes. It is possible that Peterborough standards will receive a set-back, and that some Masters will be influenced by the fact that hill packs (which would not be looked at, or with amusement only, at Peterborough), can travel all day long and twice a week without being sick or sorry, and kill far more foxes than fashionable low country hounds. There are those M. F. H's who have always sworn by "Peterborough", and it may be they will not be converted despite post-war conditions. For some years now certain packs have sacrificed nose and cry, courage and individual effort, to pace, colour, levelness and looks. This did not matter so much when there were seas of grass, and when Hunt staffs were big enough and well enough mounted to have men ahead to "telegraph" to the huntsman, who could lift his hounds, and race them forward at a check, or on a bad scenting day. Hunting will be slower, not only because of heavier going over plough, but also because scent rarely lays as well there as on grass. Not only will hounds have to be bred with more stamina, but the weedy thoroughbred which could carry a light-weight well over grass, will not last ten minutes over clay, especially in a wet season.

Horse Shows

There are to be a few horse shows this summer, so that those able to attend them will get some idea of what young stock there is in the country, although such shows as are held will be mainly local in character. Dealers, of course, are holding their hands and keeping their cheque-books closed. Several of them were very badly bitten with the horses they had left on their hands, and

have since the war been paying out the whole time with nothing coming in. Nevertheless, like those in Ireland, they know where every marketable horse is when the time comes. When it DOES come, what a scramble there will be! One hopes those farmers who have gone on breeding and have somehow kept young horses growing on through these difficult times, will be fully recompensed. I know some Irish dealers who have "guinea-hunters" in various localities, who report on every saleable horse from the time it is foaled. That is why, nowadays, it is not often really useful animals can be bought

at the fairs in Eire. The dealers buy them up, or, if they cannot arrange "a deal" before hand, and really want the animal, they will lay in wait for it some miles from the local fair-ground and come to terms there.

More About Horses

At a recent meeting of one county agricultural society it was decided they would hold their show this year and make the horse section a special feature. The reason given for this was that horses not only draw a bigger crowd than any other exhibits, but also that the members of the show committee are convinced that

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HUNTER DIRECTORY

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Editorials

BACK TO THE LAND

While at the show at Carter Hall, we were talking with George Greenhalgh, whose opinion on the proper conduct of a horseman's farm we regard highly. He said:—"Do you take the 'Illustrated and Sporting Dramatic News' from England?" We had to say 'No'. We always knew it as essentially a paper that dealt principally with sporting events and the stage.

He said:—"It has greatly changed, in fact most of it is devoted to farming, I always let Russell and the others have them when I am through, at the stables, they were raised in England and are naturally very interested. I will let you have some copies, they will be of interest to you, too."

There are 34 pages, liberally illustrated, and the average shows that 85% is devoted to farming and its practices. It has changed from being a "Man about town" paper to an interesting record of what any right-thinking sportsman would naturally turn his abilities to in this time of an all-out effort to win the war.

It has given us a comfortable feeling and is a stimulant for greater concentration on topics of value and interest for our sportsmen, who are just as interested and anxious to help in this country of ours.

At the back of our minds comes the thought that this English paper will remain as it now is, even after the war. We of the nations who are out to defeat the disgusting practices of warring nations—will never again fail to appreciate the tremendous enjoyment that can be derived from the healthy practices on and of the land.

F-BLAKEBOROUGH SAYS

In speaking of the intensive commercializing of racing in England, under the guise of War Retrenchments, our contributor from England says:—"The suggested closing down of a number of small tracks and giving more dates to bigger meetings, (which have better courses and are more accessible) is a blow at the spirit of sport and aims at commercialization. So soon as any sport is commercialized, so soon does canker set in to the destruction of much that is best, truest, and most enjoyable."

There may be another argument, we do not know. Salvator, too, is in absolute accord with this viewpoint. If there is another side, by which both the money and the true spirit of the sport may still be retained, it would be good to weigh it.

Buy War Bonds!

At Rest In Fort Sam

Near here, in a remote section of Fort Sam Houston, which has been practically untouched by the frenzied rush of today's war time activities in this great training center, is a small plot, which gives mute testimony to the affection and love in the hearts of army men, particularly cavalrymen, for their chargers.

The small plot is a cemetery, where rest the remains of horses, as well as other pets, which have died in the service of their soldier masters. It lies near the Post stables, close to the old Alamo stream, shaded by trees older than the post itself. A vacant stone building, with iron barred doors and two windows, giving evidence that once it must have been a guardhouse; now, with age upon it, has the appearance of a cemetery chapel.

Many of the graves have headstones, and nearly all are marked in some manner. Chiseled into the face of a roughly hewn stone of gray granite is this tribute:

Jacquín 1890-1913

A magnificent charger, winner of many charger and hunter classes. Perished in a stable fire. Ridden seventeen years by Col. Charles C. Treat, 3 F. A. Cared for by T. I. Coff.

Another stone has this inscription on a bronze plaque.

Poincianna, Jan. 1905-Dec. 1932

A grandson of St. Simon, by St. Dork—Egotism. A faithful and efficient charger acquired by Col. George V. Tyner, 1908.

There's a smaller stone nearby paying tribute to Rickey, German shepherd dog, owned by Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. Neil E. Bailey, who said in graven words that their pet was lovable, loyal and understanding. Many others echo like sentiments.

Old Pat, 35 years old and for 16 years a saddle mount in the 12th Field Artillery, is the sole survivor of that one crack mounted regiment, motorized in 1938. He was so old in 1938 that it was decided to destroy him, principally because of his age. But, the appeals of Pat's famed regiment, bearing endorsements of three general officers, went to Washington. with the result Pat was honorably retired to pasture at Fort Sam Houston for the rest of his honored life. And, when the final roll call is made up to include Pat, there'll be a permanent home for the old fellow, in this shady spot, among his friends that have gone on ahead—gone on, but which are not forgotten as the headstones' mute testimony shows.

So, there's no sentiment among horsemen? And, there's nothing in the love of a man for his horse? Tell that to Pat!—Bud Burmester.

Mary Eberle Winner

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from their sleep in the nearby kennels, making the air ring with their answering cries.

Winner of the well-filled Seat and Hands class, 19-year-old and under, was Anne Desloge, she and her sister Zoe, are two of St. Louis' best young riders. Two blues, the Novice and the Seat and Hands, 13 years and under went to Bill Burton, a beginner of very short experience, mounted on Little Joe one could safely call the pair a "natural".

A wrestling class, new to St. Louis, was one of the highlights of a grand day of sport.

(Ed. Note:—A marked program is here in case detailed information is sought.)

Blue Ridge Hunt

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black pony a grand ride round the outside course, and a safe ride, too—the judges thought he went too fast, I didn't agree, the lad never laid an ounce of weight on the good 14 hand cob's mouth. I like to see a good hunter pace, outside.

There was a good deal of evidence of lack of balance which was attributable in some cases to lack of muscling up and in others to the youthfulness of the horses. Then again there were some that should have been nicely balanced and were not; probably the best exhibition of proper balance was Looter—a young and big horse—Billy Do, one naturally expected to see in coordination, and he was. The big bay mare of Walter Lee's, over from Ireland, was a good buy—she is like most Irish gals and boys that come over, needs some sturdy handling to put her up on her toes a bit.

There were three riders who came over to the show, who really looked at home. Big stock saddles on big stout horses, well mannered and easy to handle. Its good to see people getting around that way—and enjoying it. No reason why more should not do it.

Bill Barrett had a real nice brood mare in the hack class. A Thoroughbred mare with a foal at home, by Cloth O' Gold. She had no chance in a class of that sort due to condition—but I'll warrant she will do the owner and the horse world productive a vast of good. The owner was due thanks for bringing her out. He's the chap who travelled through South America and wrote a book on it. Good book, too.

Rigs of all kinds were there, showing and being used as conveyances. The black cob to a 4-wheel dogcart made a businesslike turnout, perhaps a bit underhanded. There was an attractive chestnut owned by Mrs. Dave Donovan. Mrs. Livingston had a nice young thing, with the earmarks of the Coq Gaulois family sticking out all over him, he was off grass, too.

Undoubtedly it is the best layout for a show that can be found for many miles around—fit to be used by the big shows—the outside course is workmanlike and the footing splendid. Here are some of the principle winners of the various events, though it was the kind of a show that did not have to have "Big Winners" to make it a really enjoyable afternoon's sport.

The winners in each event were:—Horses in harness to be shown in an appropriate vehicle, then unhitched and shown at walk, trot and canter, Billy Do, Mrs. George Greenhalgh. Ponies to jump, Farnley Lightning, Mr. and Mrs. A. Mackay Smith. The warm up, Billy Do, Mrs. George P. Greenhalgh. Green Hunters, Portmaker, Mrs. George P. Greenhalgh. Ponies in harness, Black Magic, Mr. and Mrs. A. Mackay Smith. Working Hunters (outside course), Billy Do, Mrs. George P. Greenhalgh. Saddle Class, Traumertan, George P. Greenhalgh. Handy Hunters, Looter, George P. Greenhalgh. Master's Trophy, Billy Do, Mrs. George P. Greenhalgh.—D. L. H.

Most German bookshops have been stripped clean of all well-known classical literature, though they continue to receive large stocks of Hitler's "Mein Kampf" and books by other Nazi party leaders.

Bayview

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off was nosed out of 1st place by Mr. Charlie McMullen on **Golden Rule**. There were 3 jump offs in the knock-down-and-out and finally Pat Horst won with **Lucky Strike, Junior** was 2nd and Mr. W. D. Robinson's **Gallvanter**, 3rd.

Mr. Robinson's horses were very prominent throughout the show. **Royal Scot** winning both the Open Hunter class and the Ladies Hunters, so winning the trophy for the hunter with the most points in the show. **Lady Cushenden** was 3rd in the Open Hunters, 2nd in the Ladies Hunters, was one of the winning pair with **Gallvanter** and was 2nd in the Owners Up class—so giving her most points for the jumper trophy.

Yvonne McMullen's **Rose O Day** won the trophy for the best saddle horse. The tiniest competitor was 8-year-old **Kenny Field**, son of Tommy Field who for many years managed the Ellsworth's show stable and will be remembered by readers as being associated with the great open jumper **Watch Me**. For the past few years Tommy has been connected with the race track, having had some good hurdle horses in **King Kong** and **Hayfield**. Young Kenny is a good little rider and handled Mr. Thurston's big horse **Kildare** very well, to get 2nd in the novice riders' performance class. (Note:—due to space the summaries are not run, though they were kindly sent in by the writer. They are on file here in case authentic information is needed.)

At Woodbine

We went down to Woodbine the other day to see what horses were working. However the track was very sloppy and few horses were worked but we saw a lot of familiar faces.

There were 4 of the colts we had bred, all looking well and fit. The two 2-year-olds that Mr. Carmichael now owns I have not seen since last year's yearling sales and the change is surprising. The black colt by **Thruster**, he by **Gallant Fox** out of **Table Talk** by **Nome** has grown into a dandy, he was always my favorite. Another 2-year-old that we sold last week, unbroken, was galloping like an old horse.

Saw most of the jumpers stabled there. Doc Hodgson is training 7 of them. Mr. Perry's **Wilfred G** and his new one from Va., ***Glen Na Mona** and also the little chestnut horse **Sun Commando**, who will go over hurdles. Doc is training **Big Rebel**, from Virginia, for Mrs. Hodgson and Mr. Leigh McCarthy's **York Miller**, this old fellow seems pretty sore so may not go to the races. Mr. H. C. Hatch's **Frillure** will go over hurdles and the other in his string is Mr. Morrissey's **Black Ned**, this fellow has picked up a lot since I saw him at Dufferin, just after his arrival from Virginia, a big, strong horse who should have no difficulty in negotiating the big jumps.

Mr. W. E. MacDonald's **Bright and Gay** was out on the track and we went back to the barn to have a look at him, a striking looking big horse with a white face. The Carmichael horse from the Virginia lot, **Admiralty** by **Man o'War** has not done well and though he is picking up I don't believe they intend pushing him in time for the Woodbine meeting. However Thorncliffe Park is holding its meeting at Woodbine and I believe a number of jumping races are carded. They have always had hurdle races but this year built their own steeplechase course. Due to

Jerusalem Show

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steep hillside to climb up and down.

The working hunter event was run over this course, and saw Hamilton Amoss, Jr.'s **Penny**, a veteran black mare with a beautiful even pace, take the blue ribbon over that other veteran, **War Kren**, owned by Miss Margaret Noyes. Jack Graybeal rode the winner, while Mrs. George Saportas, as always, was astride **War Kren**.

War Kren, however, was certainly not in the shade, as she turned in a trim performance to win the hunter hacks, and then cleared five feet six with ease to take the Knock Down and Out class. **Black Flier**, owned by Corporal Ed. Haessler and ridden by Linky Smith, gave the mare a tough time; had her beaten, many thought, on the first jump-off when a bar above the chicken coop fell down, though **War Kren** was believed not to have touched it. Since the show was not bound by the rules of any association, both Smith and Mrs. Saportas agreed to abide by the judges' request, and jump it off once again. This trip **Black Flier** didn't quite judge the bar right; the whistle blew. **War Kren** gathered herself together for two mighty leaps and made them, both, cleanly,—and everyone clapped.

A new addition to the stables of Mr. C. L. Creswell, of Kingsville, in the shape of a young Gray horse **Silver Horn**, said to be by **Coq d'Esprit**, took the handy hunter event in well-mannered style, with the versatile **Black Flier** just behind him, getting the red. **Silver Horn**, ridden by Shirley Payne, up from Front Royal for the affair, also took the green hunter class, which was added at the end of the show when it was found there was plenty of time and spectators were still enthusiastically eager to see more.

A horsemanship class, for riders

gasoline rationing they are holding the meeting at Woodbine.

Mr. Darlington has 7 horses in training, among them **Bummer Bill**, a good hurdle horse whom he may send over the big ones this year. **Wood King**, the chestnut from Va., looks very fit and **Mary Bart**, a bay mare by **Jean Bart**, Mr. Darlington tells me can just wing over 6 feet. The biggest jump in the steeplechase course is brushed to about 5' 6", so this should be no trouble to her. This trainer now has Mr. Strathan Hyde Thompson's farm and the facilities for making jumpers are ideal.

Mr. Doug Ness has purchased **Queen's Colours** from Mr. Jack McNamara and will steeplechase her, she should be very fit as he has had her going all winter along with **Chinese Red**, whom he will carry on with and ride himself.

We paid a visit to Mr. R. S. McLaughlin's barn and spent an enjoyable half-hour inspecting the horses there. They all look grand and I was very impressed with ***Farairis**, the English bred horse that Canadians hoped would be in the Derby last year.

We saw 2 of Mr. Hatch's King's Platers on the track, **Sweep Gold** and **Grand Pal**. Many people favor the last named colt for this classic, but Mr. Harry Giddings is training **Tulucmore**, a strong contender, and Mr. Willie Morrissey's **Arbo Vita** will be the horse to beat. It is still anybody's race, however, as training conditions are poor this spring.

under sixteen, was divided into a horse and a pony division, and attracted a large batch of young entry who live in the surrounding neighborhood. Many were appearing in the first horse show of their lives, and their excitement certainly seemed to warrant the express efforts of the show committee in inserting classes for these children especially. In the ponies, seven-year-old Frances Howard (already an experienced show woman) took the blue on **Honeyboy Porter**, giving the willful, angry little stallion a brave ride.

Sammy Clark, on **Little Duke** came second, and Nick Greer on **Bobby** was third.

Rosella Hughes placed at the top of the older children in this horsemanship event, riding **Star King**, while Elizabeth Morgan won the red on that same good jumper **Penny**. Florence Campbell, daughter of the late veterinarian, Dr. Campbell, of Bel Air rode **Happy Shore** to take the yellow ribbon.

A class for local hacks—a walk, trot event—which was also on the program for the benefit of the many riders who do not hunt, found Shirley Payne riding Frank Goettner's **No Fool** to win over Betty Buck on **Misty Morning**, and Margaret Noyes on **Tres Bon**.

Perhaps the audience had as much fun over the novelty class as over any others; there was applause aplenty for "Bill" Amoss in red-patched overalls driving his good chestnut **Burgonette** in work-horse harness. Bill called himself "Victory Garden," and went away with the blue ribbon and the war stamps which, in lieu of trophies, constituted first prize. Mrs. Saportas and Mrs. Wallace Dow, on **War Kren** and **Uncle Dutchie**, came flying into the ring screeching nobly, with flying petticoats, wigs, and coat-tails not to mention false whiskers, and representing nobody was quite sure what. They were funny though, and that was enough; Mrs. Saportas got second prize. "Chuck" Creswell, Jr.,

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On account of the fields being so few, hunting notes have come into the secretary in rather a sketchy manner. But feeling that perhaps better late than never, here is one forwarded on that will perhaps cool off some of your readers who may be in balmy climes!

"Snow has had bad crust for several days hindering hunting. But last night there was a 6 inch fall and the thermometer read 12 degrees above this morning as we left for the meet.

It was not a likely day for a fox but hounds found on the high ridge above Wellington's, where foxes have been numerous all year. Slowly hounds worked along the top of the ridge towards Alburty's Reservoir. There the fox left the ridge and ran down across the valley into Haunted House Swamp.

The pace improved, and hounds carrying the line well until they lost in the open, Tansey, a Penn-Marydel hound, cast toward the Haunted House where she picked up the line as she has done so many times this year. Graceful, a Welsh bitch, at this point took over and carried the line through this most difficult underbrush. However, the line was getting old, and when a cold wind came up hounds ran out of scent after a slow but interesting hunt of 2 1/4 hours.—W. B.

dressed as an old southern mammy, with blackface and whiskey bottle and many a comical roll-and-toss from his horse's back, was awarded the third ribbon.

The Jerusalem Hunt Club, which has been organized only a few years, hopes to hold its second annual show in October, and to make it an all-day affair.

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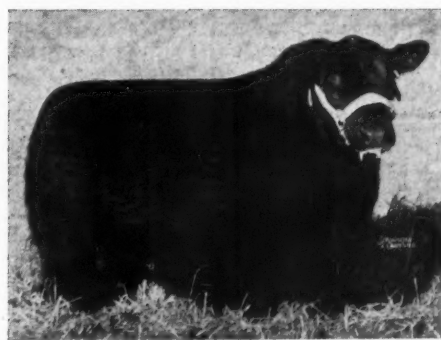
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Penna. Hunting Days

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or five weeks ago, we found a fox on Parker Hill, ran him hard for about an hour and then put him under the big rock on the side of the hill. After that we hacked to Bunker Hill, hunted it blank and then found a fox on Powder Mill. We ran him all afternoon in a beautiful chase. He took us over to Shrader Hill, out to the west of it and over onto Shalves Hill, and almost to Nantmeal Village, back through Tilt Hill, and over again into Powder Mill where we whipped off hounds about 6:30 P. M. Horses, hounds, and ourselves hit the hay that night with no reluctance.

We have a fox down near the kennels that we would run every Saturday afternoon straight over to Beaver Hill, about six miles, and then back again. It was wonderful to have a nice size field on a Saturday and then have a beautiful long run like that.

A few Saturdays ago hounds were supposed to meet at 1:00 P. M. but it was raining so the meet was called off. However, Mike and I took the hounds out at 2:00 in the rain. We jumped a fox in back of our farm, ran him for about two hours, then chased him into a pig pen. Mike held the horses while I opened the door of the pen and went in, the hounds with me. One of them caught the fox but I whipped him off and picked the fox up by the tail and ears. I held him over my head and kicked the hounds off for about five minutes, all the time calling for Mike to come and whip the hounds away, but they were howling so loud that he couldn't hear me. Finally, I went to climb out of the stall I was in and as I put my hand holding the tail on top of the stall the hounds grabbed the fox, took him away from me and killed him. This was one of the most peculiar experiences I have ever had.

Two weeks ago, March 25, I killed a grey fox on Tilt Hill. After a run of fifteen minutes he ran into a shallow hole. One of the little hounds squeezed in and pulled him out and the pack killed him.

Two days later I hacked my mother's horse, Ace o' Spades, over to Mr. Ewing's country and hunted with the Eagle Farm's hounds. They found their fox in the Biddle's swamp, ran him to the west, behind the house as if he were going to the kennels, but he gradually swung right-handed toward your farm, across the Horse Shoe Trail east of the lake, onto Parker Hill along its whole length, east across Janney's meadow, left-handed toward Shaw's. Hounds then made a check at the lower St. Matthew's church. For some reason a farmer gave us wrong directions and the hounds never picked their fox up right again. We were glad, however, for they had run an hour that had been a steeplechase and all our horses were completely blown out. When we came out of Janney's meadow, Walter Hill, the huntsman, and I jumped a bigger fence than I've jumped all season. A fine chase!

Mrs. Shaw and Nancy, Mr. Tindle and Bob (home on leave from the Army), Mrs. Henry C. Biddle (her chestnut looks fine and is going very good), Mr. Hoffman (M. F. H. West Chester), Mrs. Ewing, Mr. Ewing, and Dr. Owen from Pickering were all hunting.

On the twenty-ninth I hacked Ace to Eagle again. That's a pretty long hack you know, about seven or eight miles. Walter asked Mr. Ewing to let me help whip hounds. Hounds found on Black Horse Hill and ran

Great Britain Notes

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despite all the present craze for mechanisation, horses will still be sought.

A Hunt Servant Family

Pat Thatcher, who commenced his hunting career in the Zetland country, has been appointed huntsman to that famous pack. He thus follows his father's footsteps, for Bert Thatcher (one of a family first-class hunt servants) was Zetland huntsman from 1921 to 1933, when he retired. Wonderful sport he showed too. Bert started with the Lanark and Renfrewshire, then was first whipper-in to the Northumberland and Berwickshire, afterwards hunting the Garth, Kildare and Lord Middleton's before going to the Zetland. His son Pat has had a still more varied career, and served under some brilliant huntsmen. He was with the Puckeridge until 1925, was second whipper-in with the Quorn (a great opportunity for a young hunt servant, and one that always means that those with merit get on). In 1927 he was with the Dedbury. Three years later found him 1st whipper-in with the Old Surrey and Burstow. In 1934 he held a similar position with the Tickham, and next season he was promoted to 1st whipper-in and kennel huntsman with the Llangibby. In 1938 he became huntsman to that pack which he has left to return to the Zetland country which, like the Hurworth (in which he was also whipper-in) he knows so intimately. He comes with a great tradition—both his father's and his own.

Views On Proposed Turf Reforms

When racing men met at Stockton for the first time after a long interruption of contacts, scarcely were salutations over before the findings of the Jockey Club Committee as to the reorganization of the Turf were under discussion. This was the first occasion those connected with every aspect of racing had met since the publication of the report, and there was a good deal of electricity on the

the fox straight west with hardly a turn all through the Nantmeal country, Keesby's, to Lob's corner, where we had to whip off because Walter's horse had lost a shoe. A point of about nine miles. Walter, Albert, the other whip, and I were the only riders out of about the same field as Saturday who got out of Black Horse Hill with the hounds. Everyone else was completely out of the hunt.

Wednesday, the last day of this season, I again hacked Ace over to Eagle, (a full schedule for any hunter!) It was a very hot day. Hounds met at 10:00 and hunted a big country south of the Pottstown Pike. They found no fox but Stanley Dare and I saw three or four deer. About two in the afternoon hounds found a grey fox in a swamp south of Eagle. Ran him about fifteen minutes and then killed him. Mr. Hoffman blooded Mrs. Biddle and presented her with the brush. Mrs. Biddle had as her guest, mounted on the old timber-horse Rod, a French Naval officer from one of the warships docked in Philadelphia. He was a nice rider, a good man over a fence.

So much for hunting. Did you get down to the Middleburg races? I didn't because of the gas situation. I think you would have had a chance in the ladies' race with Black Chief.

Let me know how you all are and give my best to Sid.

Sincerely,
ANDY.
(Andrew G. Ebelhare, Jr.)

air. Far less was heard of "What do you know?", "What's going to win?", "Are Middleham, Richmond or Tadcaster horses the fittest?", than "What's your opinion of the proposed changes in racing?" Owners, trainers, breeders, bookmakers, professional backers, and all the rest of "the regulars", asked, and were asked this in turn. I have had the question put to me a hundred times and I find that my own reaction is pretty general, at any rate among the older (hence more conservative) school. Briefly it is this: The sug-

gested closing down of a number of small tracks and giving more dates to bigger meetings, which have better courses and more accessible, is a blow at the spirit of sport and aims at commercialization. So soon as any sport is commercialized, so soon does canker set in to the destruction of much that is best, truest, and most enjoyable. To close down small fixtures like Beverley, Ripon, Catterick, Thirsk, or Redcar, so that there may be more racing at York, Newcastle or Stockton, is a serious blow at the

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Royal Ascot

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virtually dominated Thoroughbred racing for a decade in the United States and was most successful in England and France.

In 1893 after Foxhall married Mrs. Frank W. White, Mr. Keene bought a grand estate at Wheatley Hills, Long Island, built a splendid mansion, Rose Mary, in keeping with the palatial country homes about Westbury and presented it to his son. Then he who was considered by many America's leading sportsman, was at the pinnacle of his career. He was made Master of The Meadowbrook Hunt, and imported at a high price an entire pack of English Hounds and brought over an English professional, Cotesworth, to hunt them.

At his death his father left his fortune to his wife and it was not until her death in 1916 that Foxhall Keene received a half of his father's estate, about \$2,000,000 and for awhile found enjoyment rebuilding a grand old home in Harford County, Maryland, where he kept open house.

No doubt at his mother's death, he received the Ascot Cup, the winning of which his father took so much pride. This Foxhall presented to The Racquet and Tennis Club where it was on view for a number of years but sad to relate the \$2,000,000 leaked away and he was able to withdraw his gift of the Cup to the Club but only after signing a paper absolving the Committee.

All trace of the valued trophy then disappeared. Whether it was melted down for gold or sold to some friend who has not made the fact known is a question which may never be solved.

The last years of his life were spent visiting friends in America and strange to say on account of a bad fall he received in Maryland, his domineering manners and oftentimes cutting remarks seem to have been knocked out of him for the last time I met him at Glen Riddle or Saratoga; for the owner of Man o'War stood by "Foxey" to the end, he was particularly agreeable.

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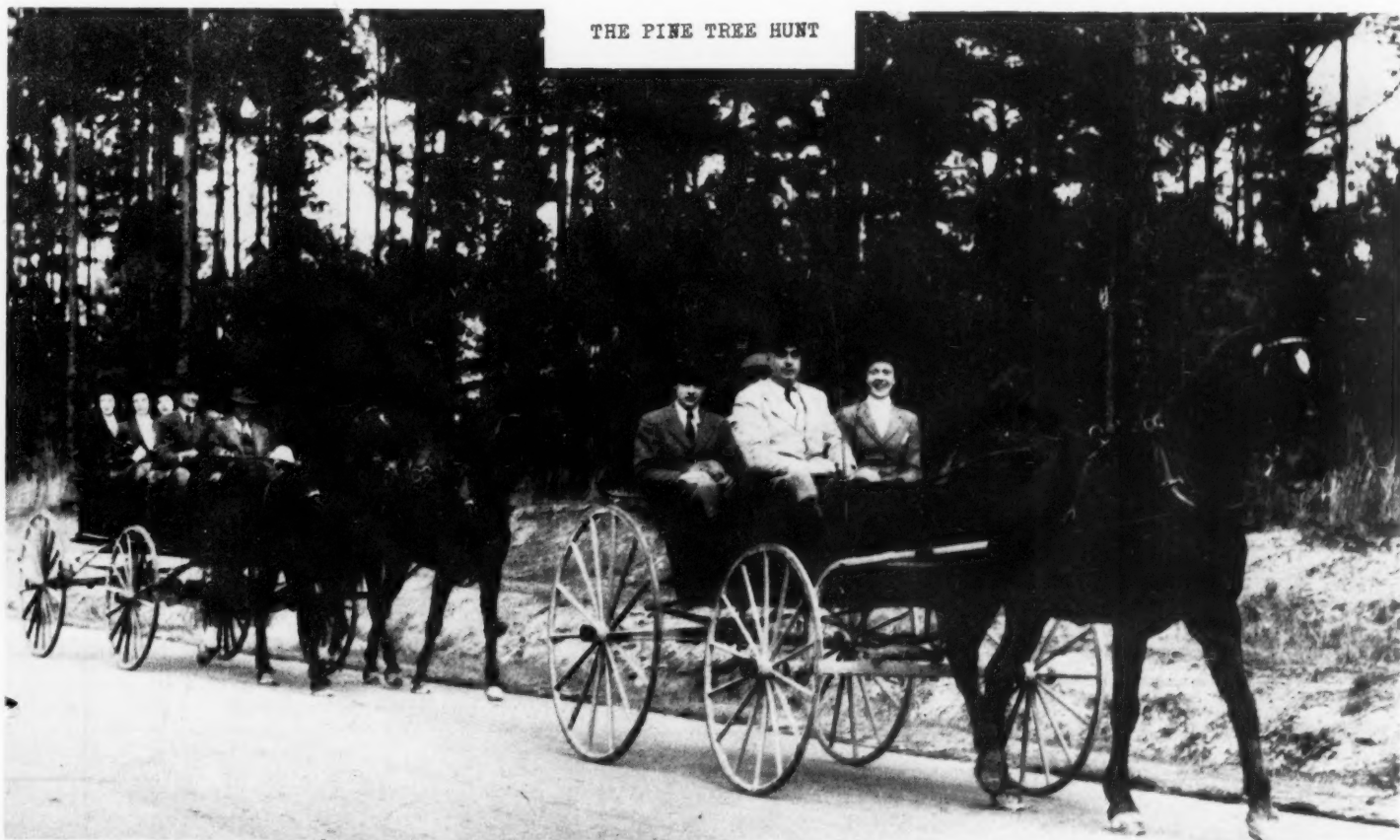
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FRANKSTOWN HUNTERS



The enclosed picture shows three of our Frankstown hunters hitched to meet the car lines and convey members to the Club. In the single surrey is Dr. John G. Shaffer and the writer; in the double carriage is A. Boyd Cassidy and Joint-Master Fred A. Stormer. The horses shown are: single - DOWN BEAT, owned by Miles Hollister; the pair - SILVER and EASTER LIL, owned by Robert Haberstroh. These horses will be in competition for the Frankstown plate. George P. Gable

THE PINE TREE HUNT



I am also sending you herewith a picture which was made during the ban on pleasure driving of some of our followers going to a Meet. By using these horse drawn vehicles we were able to carry on and complete our season without any postponements or let ups. Other followers who were not shown in the picture used the bus and were transported from the bus stop to "Fox Hill", the Club's property which is $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles NE. of Columbia, with these same vehicles. In the surrey are Mr. William L. Boyd, the Master, and Mrs. Boyd with their two sons Donny and Billy. Donny, who is shown wearing the velvet cap, assisted his father with the hounds and acted as Whip this year. Driving the second vehicle is Thomas B. Boyle, Field Master, and sitting beside Mr. Boyle is Henry Fair, first Whipper-In. Yours Truly is sitting in the back seat looking over Mr. Boyle's shoulder.

Lewis Davies

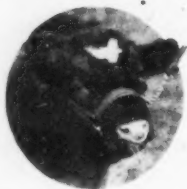
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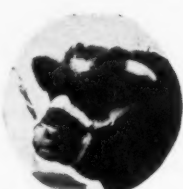


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There are a few "naturals" but anyone can acquire good form and technique, both of which radiate from a secure seat in the saddle.

The theory upon which the science of the forward seat is founded (as we get it from Riley) is as follows: The horse pushes himself forward through the engagement of his hind quarters. He merely rotates on his forehead. All movement which is communicated to the rider, comes from the horse's hind legs.

In his forward progress, he creates a "line of thrust" which is received by the rider only if he is sitting in the front of the saddle. Unless he is sitting in this line of thrust he is unable to synchronize his movements with those of his horse. Without this synchronization he must make an effort to "go with" his horse. He increases the necessary effort of the horse because he does not spring readily to the horse's thrust. He therefore, defeats the purpose of the forward seat.

The most common fault is sitting behind. Some riders however (and many when jumping) assume that a superlative inclination forward of the rider's shoulders accomplishes the desired end. A rider can be ahead of his horse as well as he can be behind.

The proper application of the aids depends primarily upon the rider's seat in the saddle. If he is out of this line of thrust he is insecure, unsteady and unable to synchronize his movements with those of his horse. His co-ordination is also impeded. Consequently he sacrifices the freedom, ease and balance which make possible the timely, sufficient, imperceptible and automatic application of the aids.

The rider properly seated, sits as far to the front as he can comfortably ride. The flat sides (and not the backs) of his thighs are against the saddle. His lower legs pass down and rearwards to the extent that his stirrup leathers are at right angles with the ground. His ankles are flexed and broken in toward the horse. The heels are down—as far as they will go.

Proper adjustment of stirrup leathers plays a very important role. The rule is that the treads of the irons must strike the rider's ankle bones when his feet are hanging naturally at the horse's sides. The conformation of some riders and of some horses sometimes necessitates slight variation from this rule.

At the walk, slow trot and gallop, the rider is relaxed at the hip joints and loin muscles. There, he absorbs all shock and movement, keeping a secure seat as he sways in cadence with the horse's strides.

At the posting trot his back is semi-rigid, shoulders forward. The thrust of the horse's hind leg, which sends the rider up every second beat, is really consumed by the rider's knees. The knees—and only the knees—open and close as the rider

rolls forward and upward in rhythm and synchronization to the beat of the trot.

If his lower legs are to be free to use, this action must come entirely from the knees. If he allows himself to post from the ankles, his lower legs are engaged in the business of maintaining his balance and his stirrup irons. Contact of the calf is intermittent. The horse becomes annoyed or bewildered and the use of the legs as an aid is completely lost.

If he is improperly seated in the saddle, the rider cannot synchronize in any gait. He maintains his equilibrium, such as it is, by dragging on the reins, by gripping with the lower legs or, like a tight-rope walker, by balance alone.

Light, elastic contact with the upper legs is of vast importance. It naturally follows that the calves will lie in streamlined contact, without gripping or constraint. They are then free to attract the horse's attention, to impel him forward or to assist in effecting schooled movements.

If the rider's seat is secure, he can use his hands independently, though in coordination with the other aids. The hands can then be light but efficient. As all shock and movement will be absorbed in the loin muscles, the rider will rarely move his hands involuntarily, in a manner that will inflict pain on the horse.

Any rider who is in doubt about the security of his seat can clear away that doubt for better or worse, by riding at a slow trot without reins or stirrups. If he bounces and pounds leather, his seat is incorrect. If he is able to absorb the movements in his loin muscles, his seat is good.

With that closing paragraph, I am reminded of an old chestnut escort horse named Togo out at Leavenworth some years ago. With a gallop like Grandma's rocking chair he could shake the filling out of one's teeth at a trot.

Togo on a cold winter's morning, an instructor with a perverted sense of humor and an hour of slow trotting without stirrups!

In the test I mentioned, extreme cases like Togo don't count.

Children Encouraged In Central California

By E. T. LASSEN

The Gymkhana Club, in San Mateo, represents several known horses and a fine bunch of juniors. At present 10 of the children are getting ready for the Sacramento Riding Club show on the 23rd of May. Betsy Wood with Killarney Lass; Sammy Register (aged 8 and doing a grand job) with Judy; Barbara Nathan with Look-Out-Willy; Betty Jean Lassen with Onyx (her own horse), Dun Pickin and Ceiling Zero (owned by Mrs. W. G. Barrett), and Patty Lassen with her own Rodeo Queen (Florienne) and jumping Look-Out-Willy in children's classes. Then one of our novices, Pat Lettes, riding Betty Jean's Dr. Bam and Peggy Wood taking her sister's Killarney Lass in several events.

They are all vying for the Lassen Trophy, offered by us as a perpetual award, based on points for the year in all open or club shows for general horsemanship. In short, any class where the rider rather than the horse is judged. It is serving its purpose of spurring the children (under 18)

Otter Hounds

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always at night and changing their "holts" or homes often, they might never be known to exist in a river if it were not for the hounds that hunt them. Their diet consists of frogs, eels and fish, but they evidently do not make heavy inroads on the trout or they would have been soon trapped by fishermen. It was the opinion of the huntsman that despite the heavy kills of recent years there are now just as many otter on his rivers as there were fifty years ago.

The type of hound used is usually a Welsh or English fox hound that is too slow for the faster quarry. These hounds are then entered on otter and soon take to swimming instead of galloping. The slower they are, the better, as scent is very catchy on water, and any hound that flashes would be worse than useless. They

to participate in horse shows in these years when participation is scarce. At present Betty Jean Lassen, Betsy Wood, Sammy Register and Patty Lassen have a margin over the others, and are only separated by one point from each other, it is close you see.

Then there is the Gravat Bros. Horsemanship Trophy for all Central California children under 18, which is being closely contested. This must be won by a rider in a Championship hands and seat class at any open show. When won in this way, the child's name is engraved on the award, and he or she is eligible to take part in the finals held in October to determine the year's Champion for Central California. This is the 3rd year for the award. Muriel Butler of Sacramento won it in 1941, Patty Lassen in 1942. So far this year Jane Wood has become eligible and the award will be given at the Sacramento Riding Club Show, The Barbara Worth Show June 6, the Greenbriar Show June 19-20. It will also be given at future shows whose dates have not as yet been decided on.

are also trained to stay close to the bank of the river and to plunge in on the slightest provocation. The trail or "drag" of an otter is usually picked up on the bank, but the quarry soon takes to the water, where he is chivied from pool to pool. When tired the otter comes ashore again and it is then that he is usually killed.

After lunch hounds were cast again, but the weather had not improved and despite the best efforts of all concerned, the afternoon drew blank. The sport interested me immensely, however, and before the summer is over I hope to have another try with these bell-mouthed hounds on the rivers of the South.

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Animal Resources

In the first issue of this month we gave you information about the available animals for use during these days of war, in the English speaking countries. We are still forced to give no information about Russia and China, we are however working on this.

It is possible to give this data regarding the German resources. Germany has of course commandeered (they may have used another word for it) most horses from the occupied countries, over which they now hold control. Here is what we are able to present in the way of facts that will give food for thought.

The total draft work (apparently in 1941-42) performed in Germany was 3.92 billion horsepower-hours per year, this was distributed as follows:

Horses	71.5
Oxen	7.7
Cows	9.5
Tractors	11.3

Now those are significant figures, they demonstrate the worth of animal traction in Axis Europe. It is very evident that there are few if any tractors in use in the conquered countries. Yet it is probable that they have been left with the least valuable of their animals to allow them to carry on with the soil production.

About 1937 Germany started breeding mules in the Province of Saxony. The jacks had been imported from Italy and the U. S. A. Undoubtedly they were not able to import any from Spain as that country must have been badly depleted during their own civil war, though they used to be a great source of supply. Your scribe back in the early 1900's had an opportunity to see these at first hand, when they were being exported to Argentina in considerable quantities. It is stated

that Germany is now self-supporting as regards mule requirements for their army. (Though surely depleted now.)

Since Germany entered upon war with Russia, there has been a complete requisitioning of all possible horses in central Europe for that Eastern Front. Leaving these countries completely destitute of anything like the proper number with which to carry on with normal farming pursuits.

In the early spring and summer of 1942, the fodder situation caused an estimated death rate of 40 to 50 per cent of the number of animal births. No one of the affected countries can be definitely singled out with any degree of accuracy as to numbers of foals raised, or of animals actually available for use. It must therefore be sufficient to summarize the situation as generally depleted. Germany holding the whip hand—using for their own purposes whatever animals they may have been able to collect. Replacements are undoubtedly very few indeed—they must come from within the European boundaries of the present Axis wall—and undoubtedly they are far too busy to give very much thought to raising animals—rather it would seem that they are glad to be able to keep what they have in working shape.

Truly, there will be a gigantic task ahead for all countries that are able to raise animals—for the days of rehabilitating the war depleted countries—this country can surely play a tremendous part when that day arrives.

We are now faced with the task of obtaining information regarding the Russian and Chinese animal resources—no stone will be left unturned to give actual facts and figures to our readers. D. L. H.

Situation For An Offensive In China

The picture of what has to be done and how, in regards to the China situation has been rather vague to me. Knowing only, very positively that General Stillwell has repeatedly cried for horses—which made me quite sure that was where the eye should be directed—it was then necessary to grope around for the source of information, as a beginning. I wanted to be thoroughly familiar with the situation and the terrain.

Then, to prove that horses, cattle and all these things go hand-in-hand, I was invited to have luncheon with a group of Shorthorn cattle men, to meet Clint Thomson, the able and most effective secretary of the Association. There I met a man who has spent most of his life in the foreign diplomatic services. Unfortunately we both found that in the days of

the last Occupation, we had much to rehash as to the merits of this or that Schloss, etc. and etc. Then I met him at the Carter Hall Horse Show on the following day—he was busy, entertaining, or being entertained by the various beves of beauty—still I knew that I had to tackle this fount of information. So I called the house where he was visiting, and was overwhelmed with the artesian well I had tapped.

I cannot give you much at this writing, but I have written to three sources of supply, from which the intelligence groups of our own country collect much that they need as a base from which to operate, this will be forthcoming and will be turned over to you—for be assured that we are going to use Cavalry in that sector.

Remember that China is populated

4 times heavier than in this country, and the area they occupy is one third larger. If you will take a contour map of the Rockies and the foothill countries, and then over to the Pacific, double that map up—and unfold it as many times as is needed to reach to our Atlantic Seaboard and you will have a rough replica of the Chinese contours.

China would like to be a big agricultural and pacifist country. When we start our fighting from the sector where it is probable we will enter, we will be fighting over a country where we may turn back exactly one century in the facilities for transport of armies and general civilization.

Now as to the location of the Japanese and our (by OUR we mean the Allied Nations) forces. It may be roughly explained that the Japs have reached down from the north—to about latitude 30, which is about the line of the Yangtze river, striving to go west from Nanking as far as they can reach out. They have, however, safely established themselves in the elbow of the Hwang (meaning Yellow) River, this river is very like the Mississippi and is about 2,900 miles in length, the Yangtze is about 3,200 miles. The Japs have, however, taken a firm hold on the railroads, especially are they establishing their "rights" on the coastal railroad—so that they may have an uninterrupted supply line, by rail, from Shanghai to Singapore. However this is broken now by the various guerilla units that have been able to maintain a broken hold on the same line. Needless to say the Japs are very anxious to ensconce themselves behind these supply channels. They have in fact established at each railroad depot, a regular barricade of sandbag banks and minor fortifications that are calculated to withstand the general guerilla attacks to which they are subjected. So we leave the skeleton picture of the Japanese positions.

The Chinese have moved back west to Free China, it is not possible to give much information at this writing about the disposition of their troops—here, however, is what is known to this writer about the terrain and physical setup.

As one moves west toward the Himalayan mountains the terrain becomes increasingly more steep with gorges and sharp mountains. It is a hard country to traverse with motor transport—the so-called roads are nothing more than trails, or two wheel tracks. There are virtually no railroads. My informant stated very definitely that he could easily understand the cry by Stillwell for cavalry.

Now to the army which is supposedly over on the India side, with Burma intervening. Burma is a most difficult territory to handle, gorges, dense forests and general impassability are the earmarks of the whole country. To this will of course be added a constant vulnerability to attack from the south, by the enemy established on the peninsula.

As the Japanese have all the harbors on the east coast and also the major portion of the railroad, our invasion must come from the Indian side. With this in mind, we will stop—and will carry on from there when our information is at hand.

That the short-haul unit is the mule, that the short march combat unit will be the Cavalry, and infantry is virtually certain. Let us become better informed of this field therefore.—D. L. H.

An Old Cavalryman's Letter To His Son

From your meagre letters to your Mother and me, which we both wish were longer, and they should be, I gather that they have you at school still.

Just figure that the more schooling you get the better fitted you will be to handle a future command. Your military experience, at most, has been a get-rich-quick course of training, it is hard to attain the proficiency acquired by men from West Point by a shortcut. On the other hand, by reason of application great enthusiasm and a natural ability to adapt yourself to handling men, you are apt to become just as efficient an officer as those with longer training. Try therefore to absorb all you can while at these schools. Your familiarity with the proper procedures when you get into active participation will surely stand you in good stead.

Many excellent officers came out of the Officer Schools of the last war, they are today handling positions of great trust. The school of practical experience which you will have an opportunity to attend in due course will be the acid test. Your assimilation of those principles which are necessary before you enter that last and greatest test of all are very important. It may seem to you a long drawn out business, this thing of becoming fitted to be an officer in command of men, just remember that the responsibility is very great.

Lastly, "never pass the buck"—even if the facts should exonerate you from responsibility—keep it under your hat and let it go at that, it is the act of a sportsman to do so. Always be a man with proper ethics and of sporting instincts, nothing will stand you in better stead through your life in the service which you have been honored to become a part of.

Devers On The Air

It is a long cry from the polo fields of Fort Sill to the battle fields of Europe. Perhaps it would be hard to pick any one general officer, whose resonant voice could reach from one to the other nearer than Jackie Devers. At any rate it was surely that same man whom we heard on the radio last night (Sunday).

The thing that impressed most was the feeling of security that this man knew what he was talking about, had thoroughly investigated the situation and had formed conclusions that were far from pessimistic. To you men in the services, if you ever serve under General Devers, you will learn that same thing, he makes pretty sure of things before he moves—and he seldom lets things get into such shape as to call for pessimism.

Can't Hunt Or Fight

Word comes through Chicago that Henry (Brick) Meers, writing from a tiny island south of Hawaii, about a 640 acre tract, wants to be doing something. He says it's a hell of a spot for a hunting man to be stuck. In fact he goes on to say that if he can't hunt he'd like to fight! This good young whip from the Longmeadow country, is a Lieut. S. G. U. S. N. R., and with that encouragement from Uncle Sam in the way of a definite status in the fighting forces, he just has to sit and hope a stray Jap will come over.

Steeplechasing

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to steal a quick glance over his shoulder and see that the tiring **Knight's Quest** was not up to a challenge, so a hand ride sufficed to bring him home the winner by 3 lengths. **Redlands**, fresh off a winning race at Pimlico, shouldered 152 pounds, and closed with a powerful rush to take 3rd place. **Elkridge** finished 4th, and while not up to his best form yet, ran an improved race over last week's International, and might have been closer if he had taken the last jump well while in a contending position. As it was he came to it at an angle, and almost crossed his field from his take-off to his landing. **Imp. Frederic 2nd** appeared to be a strong challenger in the latter stages, but tired, and all but unseated George Walker at the last jump. **Imp. The Beak**, running in front as is his custom, set a fast pace and ran a good race as far as he went. However, his rider, a green boy, didn't seem quite able to make up his mind as to whether he should take back or go to the front in the early stages of the race. **Imp. Lechlade** ran with the well bunched field until he came to grief on the backside the 2nd time around. **Imp. Sussex** came in a 100 yards after the others, and appeared to have broken down badly in the running. After the finish Henry W. Bull presented the Appleton Trophy to M. A. Cushman, in the presence of trainer Billy Jones and John Harrison the rider.

Running several pounds off his International races, **Knight's Quest** must have disappointed Lt. Bayard Sharp, his owner, who was on hand to see him run, but he couldn't have felt any worse than the Public, which had installed his horses as favorites in the betting at 9 to 5.

The following day, John Bosley, Jr.'s **Imp. Rougemont** was first to the finish line, a length and a half over Billy Post's **Imp. Pico Blanco 2nd**. Col. Richard K. Mellon's **Imp. Never Surprised**, finished 3rd, a half a length in front of R. V. N. Gambrell's **Tioga**, with Brookmeade Stable's **Seafight** bringing up the rear. Run under claiming conditions, these 5 produced an interesting race with **Imp. Rougemont** going to the front and leading all the way. **Imp. Pico Blanco 2nd**, under a 10-pound pull in the weights by virtue of an apprentice rider, made a very serious challenge going to the 4th fence, and actually got out in front for a few strides, but could not hold it. **Imp. Never Surprised** was a bit sticky at his fences and trailed the field for a turn, but closed some ground at the finish to beat **Tioga** for the place by a half a length.

The Spring Maiden Steeplechase on Thursday attracted a field of 7 to the post, and brought victory to Col. Richard K. Mellon's **Imp. Replica 2nd**, which made a show of his field to come home an easy winner by 15 lengths. Jumping well and showing good speed on the flat the Mellon color bearer took the lead before the field had gone half a mile. **Bank Note** attempted to run with him in the early stages, but he did not seem to like the muddy going, and lost ground at his jumps. By the time the head of the backstretch was reached, the field was reduced to 5 with **Imp. Replica 2nd** running easily, 5 lengths in front of **Bank Note**, followed by Lt. G. H. Bostwick's **Bisby**. Lt. Col. C. V. Whitney's **Yankee Chance**, and Brookmeade Stable's **Caribou** in that order, and strung out like a string of pearls, **Sir Bluesteel** and **Fifty-Fifty** having come to grief

early. As the field moved over the 9th jump, **Yankee Chance** parted company with his rider. **Caribou** threatened to do likewise at each jump, but managed to stay on his feet, to finish 4th and last. **Bank Note** in finishing 2nd was a soundly beaten horse, but had no trouble in disposing of **Bisby**.

The Kara Steeplechase on Friday was won by Mrs. G. H. Bostwick's **Naruna** in the last quarter mile, after **Imp. Rougemont** the leader, went wide on the turn, and tired. Mrs. J. B. Balding's **Cupid**, Brookmeade Stable's **Danny Deever** and Mrs. R. G. Woolfe's **Pharabang**, finished in that order after **Naruna** and **Imp. Rougemont**. The race was an uneventful one except that it brought the suspension of Jockey J. Penrod, the rider of **Imp. Rougemont**, by the track stewards, and his case was referred to the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association. The Stewards had not been too pleased with several of Penrod's rides prior to this race, and took exception to the fact that at the last turn, he went wide, which permitted **Naruna** to come through on the rail and go on to win by about 2 lengths ridden out. In the running, **Imp. Rougemont** had been out in front all the way, and after bobbling at several of his fences, seemed to tire in the last quarter.

On May 15th, Mrs. F. Ambrose Clark's **Ad Lib** returned to the races after a lapse of about 3 years, but only got as far as the front field liverpool. In the first of the distance series at 2 1/4 miles on Saturday, he more than evened this score, under a capable ride by W. Owen, to win by a handy margin over Rokeby Stables' **Rollo** and Mrs. H. S. Horkheimer's **Ossabaw**. The latter went to the front immediately and set all the pace for a turn of the field, over a course that was heavy from recent rains, closely followed by Mrs. E. du Pont Weir's **Imp. Nayr**, **Ad Lib** and Brookmeade Stable's **National Anthem** in that order. Going around the near turn, **National Anthem** began to lose ground, and shortly afterwards, **Imp. Nayr** and **Ossabaw** looked as if they too had had enough. With the early leaders dropping back, **Ad Lib** went to the front and increased his lead to 5 lengths less than half a mile from home. At this point, **Rollo**, a winner of his last 2 starts in this kind of going, began to work his way forward until he had reached 2nd place, but **Ad Lib** wasn't taking "no" this day, and W. W. Owen merely had to cluck to him, to bring Mrs. Clark's colors home in front. **Ossabaw** came on again near the finish, and although unable to threaten, **Rollo** had enough left to nose out Mrs. D. H. Sangster's **Flat Lance** for the place. **Simoon** finished 5th, and ran well for a while. R. V. N. Gambrell's **Parma** showed little in this event, his first start of the meeting, but will probably be a factor in the longer races. Next Saturday's race is at 2 1/2 miles, and the closing Saturday at 3 miles.

The Mission Steeplechase on Monday was a "maiden claimer". Five went to the post, and they all were off well, running well bunched around the turn and down the stretch in front of the stands, with **Treble-applause**, the leader by a couple of lengths. This was the racing debut for Jim Ryan's little daughter, Miss Oonah A. Ryan, but unfortunately, **Treble-applause** came a cropper at the 6th jump. This left 4. All over the next few fences safely with **Greek Flag** and **Kennecott** out in front by 10 lengths, but as they moved down the backstretch **Matsonia** and **Fleet Admiral** said, "let's go", ranging up

to the leaders at the 10th jump, the 4 went over as a team, but **Matsonia** made a bad landing, and that left 3. Around the far turn and over the next to the last jump it began to look like M. B. Metcalf, Jr.'s **Kennecott**, but the others were still close. Over the last fence, **Fleet Admiral**, bobbed and off came his rider. That left 2. In the run home **Kennecott**, ridden by Ray Woolfe had no trouble in beating **Greek Flag**. P. Miller remounted **Fleet Admiral** and finished within the required five minutes to be placed 3rd.

Footnote:—John S. Harrison, noted amateur rider for a number of years, and winner of a great many of this country's leading steeplechase fixtures, has filed an application for a professional jockey's license.

Notwithstanding rumors to the contrary, Ray Woolfe, will continue to ride as an amateur. His only reason for riding as a jockey would have been so he could be properly covered by compensation insurance. We understand that this has now been nicely arranged. Incidentally, Ray tried very hard, eight times in fact, during the first two weeks of the current meeting, to bring home a winner, but the best he could do was a second and several thirds. In Monday's steeplechase, he broke the ice with **Kennecott**.

Summaries

Tuesday, May 18

The Charles L. Appleton Steeplechase Handicap, abt. 2 mi., 4 & up. Purse, \$3,000 added; net value to winner, \$2,870; 2nd: \$600; 3rd: \$300; 4th: \$150. Winner: M. A. Cushman's ch. g. (5) by Annapolis—**Imp. Pimento II**, by Pommern. Trainer: W. G. Jones. Time: 3:49 4-5.

1. Rouge Dragon, 144, ●
Mr. J. S. Harrison.
2. Knight's Quest, 149, W. Passmore.
3. Redlands, 152, E. Roberts.

Eight started; also ran (order of finish): K. Miller's **Elkridge**, 161, W. Leonard; I. Bieber's ***Frederic II**, 144, G. Walker; G. H. Bostwick's **Sussex**, 144, J. Smiley; fell: H. La Montagne's ***Lechlade**, 136, W. Gallaher (10); lost rider: Mrs. F. A. Clark's ***The Beak**, 141, J. Jordan (8). Won easily by 3; place driving by 2 1/2; show same by 3. 12 jumps. Scratched: **Kennebunk**.

Wednesday, May 19

The Sir Wooster Steeplechase, abt. 2 mi., 4 & up, cl. Purse, \$1,500; net value to winner, \$1,000; 2nd: \$275; 3rd: \$150; 4th: \$75. Winner: J. Bosley, Jr.'s br. g. (8) by Exeter—**Tantara**, by Greenback. Trainer: Owner. Time: 4:01 2-5.

1. *Rougemont, 150, J. Penrod.
2. *Pico Blanco II, 140, E. Roundtree.
3. *Never Surprised, 145, S. Riles.

Five started; also ran (order of finish): R. V. N. Gambrell's **Tioga**, 150, Mr. R. G. Woolfe; Brookmeade Stable's **Seafight**, 145, C. Brooks. Won easily by 1 1/2; place driving by 6; show same by 1/2. 12 jumps. Scratched: **Greek Flag**, **Flying Falcon**.

Thursday, May 20

The Belmont Spring Maiden Steeplechase, abt. 2 mi., 4 & up, allow. Purse, \$2,000 added; net value to winner, \$2,200; 2nd: \$800; 3rd: \$400; 4th: \$200. Winner: R. K. Mellon's dk. b. g. (5) by Furrokh Siyar—**Alike**, by Southanan. Trainer: J. E. Ryan. Time: 4:05 4-5.

1. *Replica II, 155, S. Riles.
2. Bank Note, 152, W. Owen.
3. Bisby, 144, J. Smiley.
Seven started; also ran (order of finish): Brookmeade Stable's **Caribou**, 144, C. Brooks; lost rider: C. V. Whitney's **Yankee Chance**, 150, G. Walker (9); fell: F. A. Clark's **Sir Bluesteel**, 152, F. Bellhouse (6); lost rider: Mrs. L. A. Livingston's **Fifty-Fifty**, 149, E. Roberts (5). Won easily by 15; place easily by 7; show same by 10. 12 jumps. Scratched: **Black Mat**, **Kennecott**.

Friday, May 21

The Kara Steeplechase, abt. 2 mi., 4 & up, cl. Purse, \$1,500; net value to winner, \$1,000; 2nd: \$275; 3rd: \$150; 4th: \$75. Winner: G. H. Bostwick's b. g. (7) by Trace Call—**Ann C.**, by Rockminister. Trainer: C. R. White. Time: 4:10.
1. Naruna, 154, J. Smiley.
2. *Rougemont, 149, J. Penrod.

3. Cupid, 149, G. Walker.

Five started; also ran (order of finish): Brookmeade Stable's **Danny Deever**, 137, J. Brooks; Mrs. R. Woolfe's **Pharabang**, 141, Mr. R. G. Woolfe. Won ridden out by 2; place driving by 7; show same by 10. No scratches.

Saturday, May 22

The United Hunts Steeplechase Handicap, abt. 2 1/4 mi., 4 & up. Purse, \$2,000; net value to winner, \$1,300; 2nd: \$400; 3rd: \$200; 4th: \$100. Winner: Mrs. F. A. Clark's ch. g. (9) by **Imp. Hourless**—**Thora Belle**, by **Imp. Rouleau**. Trainer: D. Byers. Time: 4:36.

1. Ad Lib, 134, W. Owen.
2. Rollo, 141, E. Roberts.
3. Ossabaw, 148, W. Leonard.

Eight started; also ran (order of finish): Mrs. D. H. Sangster's **Flat Lance**, 136, L. Walton; G. H. Bostwick's **Simoon**, 138, J. Smiley; R. V. N. Gambrell's **Parma**, 141, Mr. R. G. Woolfe; Mrs. E. duPont Weir's ***Nayr**, 139, S. Riles; Brookmeade Stable's **National Anthem**, 139, C. Brooks. Won driving by 3 1/2; place driving by 5; show same by a head. Scratched: ***Frederic II**, **Arms of War**.

Monday, May 24

The Mission Steeplechase, abt. 2 mi., 4 & up, mdns., cl. Purse, \$1,500; net value to winner, \$1,000; 2nd: \$275; 3rd: \$150. Winner: M. B. Metcalf, Jr.'s ch. g. (4) by Time Maker—**Move Along**, by Whiskalong. Trainer: R. G. Woolfe. Time: 4:05 1-5.

1. Kennecott, 140, Mr. R. G. Woolfe.
2. Greek Flag, 144, C. Brooks.
3. Fleet Admiral, 137, P. Miller.

Five started; also ran: fell: Mrs. J. F. Bassett's **Matsonia**, 140, W. Leonard (10); Miss O. Ryan's ***Treble applause**, 142, S. Riles (6). Won easily by 7; place by distance. 12 jumps. No scratches.

Thoroughbreds

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Now comes **Count Fleet** to make another in the series of irresistible whirlwinds which began over 60 years ago with **Luke Blackburn**.

His is the **Blackburn—St. Simon—Man o'War** way.

Combining cyclonic speed with apparently endless stamina, he crushes all opposition so summarily and so ruthlessly that for any practical purpose it does not exist.

Would-be contenders slink into their stables wherever he appears. Only 3 would face him in the Preakness; only 2 in the Withers.

For the coming Belmont Stakes it seems improbable that it will be much if any different. And so he keeps his path, with the motto blazoned on his banner:

Veni! Vidi! Vici!—

Stakes Summaries

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by **Reigh Count—Quickley**, by **Haste**. Trainer: G. D. Cameron. Time: 1:36.

1. Count Fleet, (Mrs. J. D. Hertz), 126, J. Longden.
2. Slide Rule, (W. E. Boeing), 126, C. McCreary.
3. Tip-Toe, (Belair Stud), 126, C. Durando.

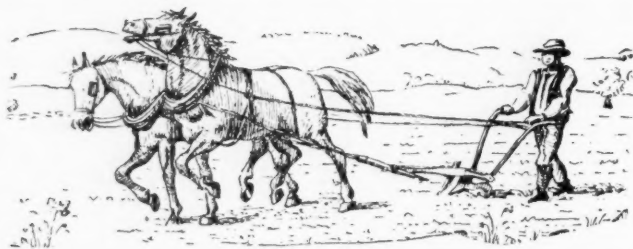
Only three started. Scratched: **Bankrupt**, **Fairy Manhurst**, **Too Timely**.

Paul Revere Handicap, Suffolk Downs, 1 1-16 mi., 3 & up. Purse, \$5,000 added; net value to winner, \$4,250; 2nd: \$1,000; 3rd: \$500; 4th: \$250. Winner: B. h. (5) by **Espino—Off Gold**, by Polydor. Trainer: J. Johnson. Time: 1:50 2-5.

1. Devalue, (H. H. Haag), 112, M. Pena.
2. Incoming, (Mrs. D. B. Miller), 111 1/2, T. Luther.
3. K. Dorko, (R. Robertson), 109, C. Wahler.

Eight started; also ran (order of finish): Mrs. T. Christopher's **Kingfisher**, 120, B. Thompson; J. H. Miles' **Itabo**, 110, H. Claggett; Mt. Desert Stable's **Spiral Pass**, 114, L. Haskell; Mrs. R. Feinberg's **Firebroom**, 115, D. Scocca; J. H. Carr's **Fair Call**, 105, G. McMullen. Won driving by 1/2; place driving by a neck; show same by 3. Scratched: **Abbe Pierre**.

FARMING in WAR TIME



TO HORSE FARMERS

Since we have been informed that the columns we devote to farm practices are read with enthusiasm, we offer more diversification. Out short articles will all be offered as practical suggestions for the owner who wishes to make a success of the practices on his farm.

The Importance Of Pasture And Hay

By Castle Hill

A fair lady came in my office the other day and said, "Can't you get someone to clean your windows, I always couple dirty windows with bad management."—SHE HAD REASON IN HER REMARK.

THE PASTURES

This same earmark of efficiency applies to the farm that is visited where there is no pasture, adequate to handle the stock carried during that part of the year when animals should be out on Dr. Green.

We have recently presented various breeds of horses, from ponies up to Belgians. Cattle, hogs, and even a scant mention of poultry—they all belong on the horse farm AND THEY ALL NEED PASTURE.

Start off with horses, naturally, see what the men who are successful as trainers say, after all that is the last word in perfect conditioning. The Calumet Farm trainer says:—"Whirlaway as well as all other horses in our stables, spend from 30 to 40 minutes daily on grass whenever pasture is available. I always have advocated green pasture and sunshine for horses, either in or out of training. Lack of time is the only reason our horses are not grazed for a longer period daily."

THE HAYS

Dr. G. H. Hart, Chief of the Animal Husbandry Dept. at the University of California, when speaking before the 23rd Annual Meeting of the Horse and Mule Association of America, in 1942, devoted his whole lecture to the benefits to be derived from the use of the minerals contained in pasture and its preserved harvests of hay and ensilage. It was considered that important.

At the same meeting, Dr. G. W. Salisbury of the New York State College of Agriculture, Cornell, speaking from the point of view of a man in the other side of the country, devoted his whole talk to hay. "In the Northeast forages for livestock are the most important farm crop."

Add to these impressive names, those of Arthur B. Hancock, Warren Wright, James Fitzsimmons, C. S. Howard, Chas. A. Kenney—names to be conjured with in the field of the best practices of raising and training horses—all place properly cured hays of the right mixtures at the top of their requirements.

PROPER CURING OF HAY

Out in Iowa, where "the corn grows", the Experimental Station says:—"The business of getting hay cut, cured, and stored in the barn without losing the leaves and the green color—that's the problem which annually confronts some 200,000 Iowa farmers who have about 3 million acres of hay land from which they harvest around a 5 million ton crop."—"The method of handling hay in the curing process does make a difference in the value of the hay that gets in the barn. And a difference in the cost of getting it there, too."

IS THE INCREASED VALUE WORTH THE EFFORT?

Dr. Salisbury says:—"Recent experience in feeding the horses at Cornell University has led us to materially change our feeding practices. For years it had been a practice to feed what had been called "typical horse hay". It, more properly, could be described as, "over-ripe timothy" that had lost most of its green color before it was placed in the mow. With this type of hay it was necessary for us to feed what seemed to be an unduly large proportion of concentrates to all of our horses, young and old alike. Several years ago, Mr. Watts, the foreman, and I decided that we would change all this and pay particular attention to the type and kind of hay which was used. We now reserve the best quality of hay for our foals and lactating brood mares. We like best an early-cut mixed hay containing alfalfa, clover and timothy in about equal proportions. The foals consume such hay with relish and do especially well on it with less concentrates than had previously been fed. The open mares and geldings receive hay of less desirable quality than that fed the mares and foals, still it is of much better quality than that previously fed. The result has been a decrease in the cost of the concentrates fed to our herd."

LACK OF UNSOUNDNESS

What is perhaps more important, there has been a noticeable lack of unsoundness in our young stock. We attribute these effects to the fact that an imbalance in the Ca: P ratio probably existed when the poor-quality of hay was fed, for considerable quantities of wheat bran and linseed meal were used to balance the ration. These feeds are high in phosphorus but not high in calcium. The early-cut, mixed hay has corrected this fault because the hay contained more calcium, and, because of its higher protein content, less of the high-protein concentrates were needed. Also, there is no question

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Texas Hereford Sale

With a bull, Real Silver 162nd, selling for \$13,000 to go to Jensen Hereford Ranch, Michigan, the sale was certainly astounding at the Dean Ranch. If his spread of usefulness will be worthwhile, he should then warrant that figure. The Dean Ranch dispersal sale brought over \$250,000. The 300 lots made an average of \$898. It is of interest to our readers that Fred Lege, Jr., who has written for us from time to time, was the competitive bidder for the top bull and actually bought 8 head, including a bull for \$6,500.

The big bulk of the sales were made to go outside of Texas—to Mississippi, Tennessee and South Carolina. This sale was really an example of how big the cattle business is down in the Lone Star State, both numerically and as to prices.

Great Britain Notes

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tradition of the sport and obviously is playing into the hands of the Tote. Not only is there deep-seated local interest in small meetings, but the more tracks there are with varying gradients and characteristics, the greater are the opportunities for small owners to win a race or two, which they might never be able to do on first-class courses like New-castle. The plain speaking about better accommodation being provided for those in the cheap rings, for closer supervision of catering and catering charges, is all to the good. But history has again and again demonstrated that to make f. s. d., big stakes, and the business side of any branch of sport the main consideration defeats its own ends in the long run. It must be so, for it is fundamentally wrong, it is opposed to every single idea those who founded the Turf had in view, and it prostitutes the fair name of sport under the pretence that racing will be improved by cutting down overhead charges, getting more from the Tote, and so allowing more money to flow into the coffers of owners. Such might be the result, no doubt it would be, but at what cost? The destruction of the very objective of the founders of the Turf—i. e. to provide contests for horses in every locality, and opportunities for those interested in horses and enjoying congenial company to meet in their own districts at their home fixtures which to them meant as much almost as the Derby or the St. Leger.

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California Notes

By SELMA PIAZZI

On the roster of shows for Northern California, the Barbara Worth Stables announces the date for its annual Spring Horse Show as Sunday, June 6th, with morning and afternoon classes.

Mrs. James H. Yant is planning on eight classes for hunters and jumpers at her annual show to be held on her farm Sunday, June 13th. A jumping class for men in uniform is also included and since the nearby Mather and MacClelland Fields house many horsemen among the flyers, even unto R. A. F. ex-steeplechase riders, this should prove very interesting.

The Metropolitan Horsemen's Association of Oakland, has changed the date for its show to July 11th so as not to interfere with the Sacramento Show. Some fourteen classes are planned for all types of horses including stock, saddlebreds, hunters and jumpers, equitation, pleasure and trail horses and entries will be limited to members of the Association.

Leona Stables, Oakland, held a "Spring Meet" April 18th with a flag presentation; drill by a newly organized group of girls under the leadership of Charles L. Hall; and a jumping event over the new outside course with entries from Mills College and the Redwood Stables, both within hacking distance.

Boarders at the stable bought and presented a flag to Mr. and Mrs. Earl E. Studley, owners of the Leona Stables, in honor of some nineteen men who formerly kept horses at the stables and who are now in the armed forces. The reading of the list by Harold Knudsen, President of the Metropolitan Horsemen's Association, and which included Lt. Col. Shaver, Capt. R. W. Decker, Lt. W. A. Hansen, Sgt. Earl Hansen, the two Studley boys, Ivan and Orville, down to Knox Kirkland and Bob Tibbitts, who are going into pre-flight training, was very impressive.

On April 30th Capt. G. Earle Whitten, Commander of the Mounted Patrol, Auxiliary Volunteer Police, of Oakland, presented awards to a group of riders, under the tutelage of Miss Cornelia Van Ness Cress of the Mills College Riding School, who had successfully fulfilled requirements for membership.

The members, Mrs. Edson Adams, Pamela Alderson, Mrs. R. W. Bockius, Marguerite Brewer, Dorothy Dible, Elizabeth Harrison, Eleanor Fox, Mary Hough, Sylvia King, Elena Lagorio, Mrs. L. O. Mulford, and Toni Ehomphson demonstrated their skill in a drill, tying their horses to a picket line, applying twitches and bandages, and various first aid problems.

The activity of the group includes a weekly drill, monthly maneuvers for special day and night problems, weekly theory classes, and monthly meetings with representatives of the Civilian Defense.

For The Duration

Mrs. Gerald Gray has taken Brian Boru, to Corona where she has moved to be near Dr. Gray, whose remarkable work in plastic surgery is now benefitting the armed forces.

Its "Lt. Alec Wilson now, he having graduated from O. C. S. at Riley. Alec made a quick trip home, had a bit of fun showing Mrs. W. G. Barrett's Ceiling Zero to a number of ribbons at the Gymkhana Club Show at San Mateo, and then flew back to his station at Ft. Clark, Texas, in the newly activated 2nd Cavalry Division. Nomf will join him there in a

Show Dates Announced For Colorado Springs

Word comes from Hildegard Neil that they will have their Junior League show at Colorado Springs on July 17th, then the Horse and Colt Show on August 7th. She reports that there are lots of children riding out there and they hope to be able to have quite a few officers showing their horses from nearby Camp Carson, so offsetting the men of the countryside who ordinarily would be there, but are in the services.

The Junior League show will be mostly children and hunter classes, Miss Neil is again chairman. By the way, anyone who can do so and would like to put in a month's relaxation in the land where the air gets rare, can go up there and have a grand time and return to work in much improved shape, mentally and physically. That was a personal addition, having been there.

Kansas City Notes

Mission Valley had a good hunting season, out 47 times. Plenty of good runs—had 19 couples and reduced to 12½.

There may be some polo but it will be "barnyard".

The best of the small shows will be Mexico, Mo.

The starting of steeplechasing in K. C. was R. L. Nafsiger's James, James M. Kemper, Mrs. J. V. Holmes, R. L. Jurden, Frank C. Baker, Bill Allen, they all started with stables of horses and raced them under their own colors. W. W. Guernsey rode for Ralph Jurden, who had the good 'chaser Reno, by Trial by Jury, out of Louise.

The W. W. Guernsey racing stable is at St. Louis, Mo., from there they will go to Lincoln Fields in Chicago.

Herb Wolfe's racing stable is in Chicago now, they have 13 good foals at Wolford Farms, by Laurin.

The Remount depot is standing Scot, we have several good foals by him in the hunting country. Mrs. O. G. Beitler has an outstanding filly by Scot.

Merrivale Farm had the biggest shorthorn sale ever held in this country at Grandview, Mo. Selling 70 head of registered cattle for \$73,000.

Star Lane Farm, Lenexa, Kansas, had a pleasure horse sale on the 6th of May. Palominos and Walking Horses, horses bringing from \$150 to \$1,750.

All of this is brief, with no flourishes, but its good dope and interesting—it comes from Joe Mackey, who still has on his stationery:—"Hunters—Jumpers, Polo Ponies—Fancy Dairy Cows!" Thanks Joe.—Ed.

China normally produces more wheat than the United States, in addition to more than one-third of the world's rice.

few weeks.

Fred Anderson of Sacramento is now in the Air Corps in Washington and his good jumping mare, Kautious Kitty has been bred to Picture Play and turned out.

Rolla B. Watt of San Mateo is now a Lieutenant in the Coast Guard, leaving Mrs. Watt and Margaret to continue the horse activities for the family.

Bill Atkinson has left his nice half-bred mare, Hermanita, for his father to hack while he is in the 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Bliss, Texas.

FEI vs AHSA Rules

Horsemen have long argued the respective merits of the Federal Equestrian International Rules for jumping classes as against those of the American Horse Shows Association. Many civilian shows, following the example of the Olympic Games, have used the FEI rules quite successfully, from the standpoint of both exhibitor and spectator, and the question arises—would it not be a good idea to make more common usage of FEI rules.

Briefly, the FEI rules require the horse to gallop over the complete course without slowing down to a trot. The rate of speed is automatically governed by a time limit for each class. Penalties are awarded for each second a rider takes over this limit. Only knock-downs and acts of disobedience are counted, while ticks, touches or raps are not considered, i. e., the height of the highest element of the jump must be altered to constitute a knock-down.

In the AHSA rules ticks are counted as well as knock downs, no time limit is used, and the horse may circle, stop, etc. in taking the course. With these AHSA rules in effect many horses with ill manners and poor way of going can and do win classes. In fact three-legged cripples, wind-broken horses and stargazing idiots can emerge the victor. With FEI rules, however, horses must be sufficiently sound, have decent enough conformation, and be well enough mannered to gallop on over the entire course, under control all the way!

The original purpose of teaching a horse to jump was to enable him to carry his rider from one point to another, regardless of what obstacles might confront them en route. If the horse carried his master over the

jumps safely, that was all that mattered. If he ticked the top bar lightly, it was no fault as long as he jumped smoothly. In fact, some of our cleverest hunters today conserve energy by clearing the jumps with minimum effort and perhaps roll a hind hoof over the top bar lightly.

When regarded with common sense, the principle of making a penalty for ticks appears wrong, as it is based on artifice and not on logic or utility. If a horse is clever enough to jump safely and roll a hoof over the bar lightly without causing a knock-down, so much the better! He has developed a knack that is just as intelligent and well founded as that of a boxer, in rolling his head away, to take the sting out of his adversary's punch!

Moreover, anything we can do to encourage galloping-on, as a real jumper should do, is well worth while. FEI rules do just that! AHSA rules unwittingly permit inferior horsemanship, while FEI rules require a higher state of training in both horse and rider.

The reader may say, "This is all well and good, but with the crack competition we have today, the classes would last forever unless ticks were counted." They would not last any longer and no more jump-offs would be required than normally. In the first place, the height of the jumps would be greater for the first round, never being under four feet unless for a novice class. The second or third jump-offs would be decided on time.

For the betterment of jumpers and the art of jump-riding, let all civilian show committees consider FEI rules more favorably and use them more often!—J. Y.

Farming In War Time

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but what our horses have been receiving more vitamin A than they did in the past."

A SUMMARY

Pastures and hays are so important to the stock owners that there is a general tendency to wage a crusade for their use to the fullest extent of their value. The day of pasture being just a nice change for animals, and a certain saving while grazing, is over. Just as farmers are realizing that it is infinitely more profitable to raise good animals of a breed than poor ones, so they are coming to the realization that good pastures and hays are needed for proper profit. The saying that, "it costs no more to feed a good one than a poor one," is not true—it costs more to feed a poor one than a good one. By the same token, it costs more per feed ton to put up poor hay than good hay. Again, it costs more to devote 20 acres to poor pasture than it does to have the same acreage in good pasture. Feed your pastures, they will then turn round and feed your stock. There are many bulletins on the necessary practice, one we recommend is "Good pastures and choice hays"—put out by the Horse and Mule Association of America and the address is 407 South Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill., from which most of these quotations are taken.

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In The Country:-



Promotion

Major Mark Alexander Smith, son of Mayor Courtland H. Smith, Middleburg, Va., has been promoted to Lt.-Col. and is an executive officer of the 10th Quartermaster Training Regiment, Camp Lee, Va.

Mrs. Ward Visits

1st Lt. Newell J. Ward, Jr., has to keep things in shape out in California while Mrs. Ward brushes up on the news and happenings in and around Middleburg. Buddy and Bettina have been missed in the hunting field and in the town. Perhaps she will feel the urge to get her riding clothes out of moth balls and do a bit of hunting when the cubbing season comes around again.

New 'Chasing Owner

Miss Peggy Squiers of Middleburg, Va., has recently purchased **Mad Policy**, 9, b. g., **Rathbeale—Policy**, by ***Toddington**, from B. F. Christmas. **Mad Policy** was claimed last year from Mrs. J. T. Skinner by Mr. Christmas who will continue to train him this season for his new owner. Peggy, Sarah Bosley Merryman and John Bosley, Jr. were in Middleburg overnight and left for Belmont where Peggy's new 'chaser will soon be sent to the post.

Mandingham's Last Race

Mandingham, listed as one of the outstanding steeplechasers in 1941, has gone to his Valhalla. This good looking son of ***The Satrap—Float**, by **Man o'War** was bred by Samuel D. Riddle and having previously won on the flat for William duPont, he was purchased by Paul Mellon upon the advice of his trainer, J. T. Skinner. He was given his first schooling lessons by Mr. duPont and then went on to carry the Rokeby Stables' silks into the winner's circle in the steeplechasing stakes. In 1941 he set a new track record at Delaware Park in winning the Georgetown Steeplechase Handicap and was one

of the larger 'chasing purse winners. Always ridden by Jockey E. Roberts, **Mandingham** again had this jockey up in the Corinthian Steeplechase Handicap at Belmont Park on May 25 when he came a cropper at the 12th fence. A broken shoulder necessitated his being destroyed.

New Kansas Residents

Lt. Stephen C. Clark, Jr. and Miss Jane Forbes Wilbur were married at 4:30 at Warrenton, Va., on May 26. Lt. and Mrs. Clark will live at Manhattan, Kansas, as he is currently stationed at Ft. Riley.

In The Army Now

After a year of unsuccessful attempts, **Bard McDonald Squiers** will report for induction at Camp Lee, Va., on the 28th. **Bard** had tried all branches of the service but a defective eye seemingly had him pointed for limited service. However, the difficulties have been removed and **Bard** begins his army life Friday.

Seen At Carter Hall

It was good to see Earl N. Phillips, Joint Master of the Sedgefield up at Carter Hall, in the party were Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Rochelle and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kearns. T. V. Rochelle is the moving spirit in the Horse Show down there and Charles Kearns is honorary secretary of the hunt. Periodically they make a trip up, go the rounds of the hunting country and often go back a horse the richer. For that we thank the Carolinas—apart from the pleasure of such delightful visitors.

Mexico City

It will be of interest to many to know that Miss Deborah Rood, who for so long has taken active part in the handling of shows round Washington and points north of the Capital, is now in Mexico City. Word has just come in that our own contributor, Bud Burmester plans going down there, via Havana on May 30.

Change Of Assignment

Colonel Marion I. Voorhes, who has till lately been in charge of the Remount area radiating out of Front Royal, has been transferred to Lexington, Ky., where he replaces Colonel Paul Morris, who has now taken command of Fort Reno, which has always been the major assignment of the 3 Remount Depots of the country. A successor for Colonel Voorhes at Front Royal has not been announced, Colonel Apgar, commanding that Depot, is of course acting in

Thoroughbred Returns

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skimmed over the door of his stall, and five foot paddock enclosure and started in search of former genial friends.

Imagination only can continue and supply what route he traveled or what adventures he encountered but we know that he arrived at his destination with merely a few minor scratches. I can visualize him tugging along the shoulders of the roads, ducking into the deep shadows whenever headlights bore down, being wary of people and houses, jumping the gates and fences, bothered by dogs—maybe merrily kicking at one like a schoolboy playing hooky—but being never once misled from his one staunch purpose.

After finishing his travels he was probably nonpulsed for a short time as to how to enter the barn, but as luck would have it, a door at the back was left ajar and he soon squeezed and pushed his way in. A narrow alleyway leads up to the oat bin with a swinging gate at one end and a bar at the other and stepping through the gate which swung shut after him, he was thus finally caught fast, but—he was home. And there the proprietors found him in the morning, happy and very very proud.

Loneliness and unhappiness were probably the factors instigating his return, but nevertheless, it was a remarkable achievement. Chronicle readers have no doubt heard or seen more unique undertakings than this, but it has no parallel in my experiences.

Portland Notes

Mr. Alvin Johnson recently obtained a likely hunter and jumper prospect from Mr. Bert Bagley, Vancouver, Wash., **Sweet Sue**, (Reg. name, **Miss Bay**) a lightweight six-year-old chestnut mare by imp. **Blanket Bay—Rochester's Miss**. Mr. Johnson is a newcomer to the ranks of jumper owners and we wish him success.

Pharay, three year old bay filly by **Pharloch—Hope Brady** by imp. **Citizen** is now owned by Mrs. Marjorie McElhany, previously bred and owned by Donald Dryer.

Mrs. Jack Boon (Helen Bacon) had the sad misfortune of losing her good Thoroughbred mare, **Sweet Music**. This mare had shown promise as she had placed very highly as a novice in hack classes.

Betty Easson's honest jumping mare, **Footloose**, campaigned successfully at the shows for several years, has been sent to Short Freeman for breeding purposes at his Mollala farm. The mare's yearling bay filly, **Footnote**, by **Pharloch** is also there.

Garry McGonigle's mare, **Chin** by **Beauregard** has blessed him with a lovely chestnut filly by **April Delight** by **Wu**, Short Freeman's chestnut stallion. It is a shame Garry who

the dual capacity, which, together with his added "Dogs for Defense" branch, keeps him on the move.

Action To Go 'Chasing

Word comes from Henry L. Salisbury that the good horse **Action** has been put into training with Hirsch Jacobs. In order to run over the jumps this fall. If he can live up to his looks he may do right well at his new job.

is in the armed forces will not be able to see her for awhile.

As a casual observer, I have definitely noticed that within the last year in Oregon the Thoroughbred has more and more become the popular breed and type with the majority of our veteran and novice horse owners. In fact, when the regular showing returns, I feel that the competition, especially of hunters and racing, are due to be considerably more difficult.

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